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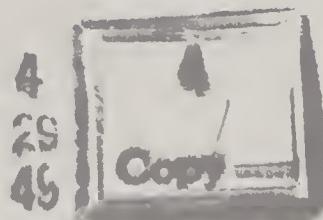


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## PUBLIC LAW NO. 249, SEVENTY-SEVENTH CONGRESS

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*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Public Resolution Numbered 126 (46 Stat. 1481), approved March 2, 1931 (U. S. C., title 44, sec. 275B), authorizing the printing of the proceedings of the national encampments of certain veterans' organizations in the United States be, and is hereby, amended to read as follows:*

*"That hereafter the proceedings of the national encampments of the Grand Army of the Republic, the United Spanish War Veterans, the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, the American Legion, the Military Order of the Purple Heart, and the Disabled American Veterans of the World War, respectively, shall be printed annually, with accompanying illustrations, as separate House documents of the session of the Congress to which they may be submitted."*

Approved, September 18, 1941.

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## LETTER OF SUBMITTAL

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*Portland, Oreg., Nov. 23, 1948.*

To the SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Pursuant to the provisions of Public Law No. 249, Seventy-seventh Congress, approved September 18, 1941, there is transmitted herewith the Journal of Proceedings of the Eighty-second National Encampment, held at Grand Rapids, Mich., September 26 to 30, 1948, which is submitted for printing as a House document.

JOHN C. ADAMS,  
*Adjutant and Quartermaster General,*  
*Grand Army of the Republic.*



**ENCAMPMENT ROLL  
LIST OF COMMITTEES**

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## MEMBERSHIP OF THE EIGHTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

The total number of names appearing on the roll of the eighty-second national encampment, as shown by the following table, is 77. Deducting previously reported, the net voting strength is 43.

National officers, past national officers, and departments	Department officers	Delegates	Past department commanders	Total	Deduct previously reported	Net voting strength
National officers entitled to vote-----				7	-----	7
Past commanders in chief-----				4	3	1
National council of administration-----				15	3	12
Past senior vice commanders in chief-----				5	3	2
Past junior vice commanders in chief-----				5	5	0
Past adjutant generals-----				2	2	0
California and Nevada-----	4	1	2	7	2	5
Colorado and Wyoming-----	1	0	1	2	1	1
Connecticut-----	1	0	1	2	1	1
Illinois-----	1	0	1	2	1	1
Indiana-----	2	1	1	4	2	2
Iowa-----	1	0	0	1	-----	1
Kansas-----	1	0	0	1	-----	1
Kentucky-----	2	1	1	4	2	2
Missouri-----	2	0	2	4	3	1
Nebraska-----	1	0	0	1	-----	1
Ohio-----	2	0	2	4	3	1
Oklahoma-----	1	0	0	1	-----	1
Oregon-----	1	0	1	2	1	1
Washington and Alaska-----	1	0	1	2	1	1
Wisconsin-----	1	0	1	2	1	1
<b>Total-----</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>43</b>



# **ROLL OF THE EIGHTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC**

**GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., SEPTEMBER 26 TO 30, 1948**

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## **NATIONAL OFFICERS**

*Commander in Chief*

**ROBERT M. ROWND, Ripley, N. Y.**

*Senior Vice Commander in Chief*

**THEODORE A. PENLAND, Portland, Oreg.**

*Junior Vice Commander in Chief*

**JOHN R. BENNETT, Waynesfield, Ohio (deceased)**

*Chaplain in Chief*

**JOHN H. GRATE, Atwater, Ohio**

*Adjutant and Quartermaster General*

**JOHN C. ADAMS, Jonesboro, Ind.**

*National Patriotic Instructor*

**WILLIAM H. OSBORN, Joplin, Mo.**

*National Chief of Staff*

**<sup>1</sup> JOHN S. DUMSER, Oakland, Calif.**

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<sup>1</sup> Entitled to vote as past commander in chief.



## NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

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California and Nevada : Charles L. Chappel, Long Beach, Calif.  
Colorado and Wyoming : Robert T. Bryan, Boulder, Colo.  
Connecticut : Charles Douglass, New Haven, Conn.  
Illinois : Lewis Fablinger, Downers Grove, Ill.  
Indiana : W. H. Whittinghill, Lebanon, Ind.  
Iowa : James P. Martin, Sutherland, Iowa.  
Kansas : Charles Wingrove, Wichita, Kans.  
Kentucky : Robert Barrett, Sr., Princeton, Ky.  
Missouri : William H. Osborn, Joplin, Mo.  
Nebraska : Michael Bondoll, Beatrice, Nebr.  
Ohio : John H. Grate, Atwater, Ohio.  
Oklahoma : George Grizzle, Holdenville, Okla.  
Oregon : Theodore A. Penland, Portland, Oreg.  
Washington and Alaska : Hiram R. Gale, Seattle, Wash.  
Wisconsin : Lansing A. Wilcox, Cadott, Wis.

## PAST NATIONAL OFFICERS

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### PAST COMMANDERS IN CHIEF

B. F. Stephenson, <sup>2</sup> (provisional) (died Aug. 30, 1871)	-----	1866
S. A. Hurlbut, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Mar. 27, 1882)	-----	1866-67
John A. Logan, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Dec. 26, 1886)	-----	1868-70
Ambrose E. Burnside, <sup>2</sup> Rhode Island (died Sept. 18, 1881)	-----	1871-72
Charles Devens, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Jan. 7, 1892)	-----	1873-74
John F. Hartranft, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Oct. 17, 1889)	-----	1875-76
John C. Robinson, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Feb. 18, 1897)	-----	1877-78
William Earnshaw, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died July 17, 1885)	-----	1879
Louis Wagner, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 15, 1914)	-----	1880
George S. Merrill, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Feb. 17, 1900)	-----	1881
Paul Van Dervoort, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died July 29, 1902)	-----	1882
Robert B. Beath, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Nov. 25, 1924)	-----	1883
John S. Kountz, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died June 14, 1909)	-----	1884
Samuel S. Burdett, <sup>2</sup> Potomac (died Sept. 24, 1914)	-----	1885
Lucius Fairchild, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died May 22, 1896)	-----	1886
John P. Rea, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died May 28, 1900)	-----	1887
William Warner, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died Oct. 4, 1916)	-----	1888
Russell A. Alger, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died Jan. 24, 1907)	-----	1889
Wheelock G. Veazey, <sup>2</sup> Vermont (died Mar. 22, 1898)	-----	1890
John Palmer, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Apr. 15, 1905)	-----	1891
A. G. Weissert, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died Apr. 24, 1923)	-----	1892
John G. B. Adams, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Oct. 19, 1900)	-----	1893
Thomas G. Lawler, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Feb. 3, 1908)	-----	1894
Ivan N. Walker, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Sept. 22, 1905)	-----	1895
T. S. Clarkson, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died Jan. 16, 1915)	-----	1896
John P. S. Gobin, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died May 10, 1910)	-----	1897
James A. Sexton, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died in office, Feb. 5, 1899)	-----	1898
W. C. Johnson, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Apr. 27, 1917)	-----	1899
Albert D. Shaw, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Feb. 10, 1901)	-----	1899
Leo Rassieur, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died June 1, 1929)	-----	1900
Ell Torrance, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died Feb. 18, 1932)	-----	1901
Thomas J. Stewart, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Sept. 11, 1917)	-----	1902
John C. Black, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Aug. 17, 1915)	-----	1903
Wilmon W. Blackmar, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died in office, July 16, 1905)	-----	1904
John R. King, <sup>2</sup> Maryland (Promoted July 16, 1905; died Mar. 3, 1934)	-----	1905
James Tanner, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Oct. 2, 1927)	-----	1905
Robert B. Brown, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died July 30, 1916)	-----	1906
Charles G. Burton, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died Feb. 25, 1926)	-----	1907
Henry N. Nevius, <sup>2</sup> New Jersey (died Jan. 28, 1911)	-----	1908
Samuel R. Van Sant, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died Oct. 3, 1936)	-----	1909
John E. Gilman, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Feb. 20, 1921)	-----	1910
Harvey M. Trimble, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Jan. 10, 1918)	-----	1911
Alfred B. Beers, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 31, 1920)	-----	1912
Washington Gardner, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died Mar. 31, 1928)	-----	1913
David J. Palmer, <sup>2</sup> Iowa (died Nov. 5, 1928)	-----	1914
Elias A. Monfort, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died July 29, 1920)	-----	1915
W. J. Patterson, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Nov. 6, 1926)	-----	1916
Orlando, A. Somers, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died June 9, 1921)	-----	1917
Clarendon E. Adams, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died Feb. 23, 1924)	-----	1918
James D. Bell, <sup>2</sup> New York (died in office, Nov. 1, 1919)	-----	1919
Daniel M. Hall, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (promoted Nov. 1919, died Oct. 19, 1925)	-----	1919
William A. Ketcham, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Dec. 27, 1921)	-----	1920

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

## PAST COMMANDERS IN CHIEF—Continued

Lewis S. Pilcher, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Dec. 24, 1934)-----	1921
James W. Willett, <sup>2</sup> Iowa (died May 13, 1940)-----	1922
Gaylord M. Saltzgaber, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Aug. 25, 1930)-----	1923
Louis F. Arensberg, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Sept. 20, 1934)-----	1924
John B. Inman, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Dec. 15, 1929)-----	1925
Frank A. Walsh, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died Mar. 5, 1932)-----	1926
Elbridge L. Hawk, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Aug. 13, 1930)-----	1927
John Reese, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died July 5, 1935)-----	1928
Edwin J. Foster, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Sept. 11, 1939)-----	1929
James E. Jewel, <sup>2</sup> Colorado and Wyoming (died Nov. 7, 1939)-----	1930
Samuel P. Town, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died July 9, 1937)-----	1931
William P. Wright, <sup>2</sup> (died in office, June 15, 1933)-----	1933
Russell M. Martin, <sup>2</sup> Los Angeles, Calif. (promoted June 15, 1933)-----	1933
Russell C. Martin, <sup>2</sup> Los Angeles, Calif. (elected Sept. 21, 1933)-----	1933
Alfred E. Stacy, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Mar. 9, 1940)-----	1934
Oley Nelson, <sup>2</sup> Iowa (died Apr. 15, 1938)-----	1935
C. H. William Ruhe, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died May 20, 1941)-----	1936
Overton H. Mennet, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Jan. 25, 1941)-----	1937
Robert M. Rownd, <sup>3</sup> Ripley, N. Y.-----	1938
John E. Andrew, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died in office, June 30, 1940)-----	1939
A. T. Anderson, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (promoted June 30, 1940) (died Sept. 15, 1944)-----	1939
William W. Nixon, <sup>2</sup> Kansas (died Mar. 17, 1944)-----	1940
George A. Gay, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Dec. 15, 1944)-----	1941
John S. Dumser, Oakland, Calif.-----	1942
George H. Jones, <sup>2</sup> Oxford, Maine (died Aug. 2, 1946)-----	1943
Isaac W. Sharp, <sup>2</sup> Warsaw, Ind. (died Nov. 10, 1946)-----	1944
Hiram R. Gale-----	1945
John H. Grate, Atwater, Ohio-----	1946

## PAST SENIOR VICE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF

James B. McKean, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Jan. 6, 1879)-----	1866-67
Joshua T. Owen, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Nov. 7, 1887)-----	1868
Lucius Fairchild, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died May 23, 1896)-----	1869-70
Louis Wagner, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 15, 1914)-----	1871-72
Edward Jardine, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Mar. 13, 1896)-----	1874
Joseph S. Reynolds, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Sept. 18, 1911)-----	1875-76
Elisha M. Rhodes, <sup>2</sup> Rhode Island (died Jan. 14, 1917)-----	1877
Paul Van Dervoort, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died July 29, 1902)-----	1878
John Palmer, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Apr. 15, 1905)-----	1879
Edgar D. Swain, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Apr. 28, 1904)-----	1880
Charles L. Young, <sup>2</sup> , Ohio (died Sept. 1913)-----	1881
W. E. W. Ross, <sup>2</sup> Maryland (died Nov. 14, 1907)-----	1882
William Warner, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died Oct. 4, 1916)-----	1883
John P. Rea, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died May 28, 1900)-----	1884
Seldon Connor, <sup>2</sup> Maine (died July 9, 1917)-----	1885
S. W. Backus, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Apr. 10, 1930)-----	1886
Nelson Cole, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died July 31, 1899)-----	1887
Moses H. Neil, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Dec. 29, 1929)-----	1888
A. G. Weissert, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died Apr. 24, 1923)-----	1889
Richard F. Tobin, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died in office, Nov. 22, 1890)-----	1890
George H. Innis, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (elected Apr. 7, 1891; died Jan. 19, 1907)-----	1891
Henry W. Duffield, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died July 13, 1912)-----	1891
R. H. Warfield, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died July 19, 1906)-----	1892
Ivan N. Walker, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Sept. 22, 1905)-----	1893
A. P. Burchfield, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 8, 1910)-----	1894
E. H. Hobson, <sup>2</sup> Kentucky (died Sept. 13, 1901)-----	1895
John H. Mullen, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died Apr. 3, 1907)-----	1896
Alfred Lyth, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Dec. 15, 1924)-----	1897
W. C. Johnson, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (elected commander in chief Sept. 5, 1899; died Apr. 27, 1917)-----	1898
Daniel Ross, <sup>2</sup> Delaware (elected Sept. 5, 1899; died Mar. 26, 1916)-----	1899

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> National patriotic instructor.

## PAST SENIOR VICE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF—Continued

Irvin Robbins, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Feb. 9, 1911)-----	1899
Edwin C. Milliken, <sup>2</sup> Maine (died Oct. 21, 1921)-----	1900
John McElroy, <sup>2</sup> Potomac (died Oct. 12, 1929)-----	1901
William M. Olin, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Apr. 18, 1911)-----	1902
C. Mason Kinne, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Dec. 25, 1913)-----	1903
John R. King, <sup>2</sup> Maryland (commander in chief July 17, 1905; died Mar. 3, 1934)-----	1904
George W. Patten, <sup>2</sup> Tennessee (promoted July 17, 1905; died Sept. 19, 1906)-----	1905
George W. Cook, <sup>2</sup> Colorado and Wyoming (died Dec. 17, 1916)-----	1905
William A. Armstrong, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Sept. 28, 1914)-----	1906
Lewis E. Griffith, New York (died Oct. 6, 1912)-----	1907
J. Kent Hamilton, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Dec. 29, 1918)-----	1908
William M. Bostaph, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Apr. 8, 1935)-----	1909
Charles Burrows, <sup>2</sup> New Jersey (died Mar. 17, 1935)-----	1910
Nicholas W. Day, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Mar. 6, 1916)-----	1911
Henry Z. Osborne, California and Nevada (died March 1923)-----	1912
Thomas H. Soward, <sup>2</sup> Oklahoma (died Aug. 12, 1918)-----	1913
Joseph B. Griswold, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died in office, Mar. 9, 1915)-----	1914
William F. Conner, <sup>2</sup> Texas (promoted Mar. 10, 1915; died Mar. 1, 1919)-----	1915
George H. Slaybaugh, <sup>2</sup> Potomac (died Feb. 9, 1929)-----	1915
William H. Wormstead, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Aug. 16, 1938)-----	1916
John L. Clem, <sup>2</sup> Potomac (died May 13, 1937)-----	1917
John G. Chambers, <sup>3</sup> Oregon-----	1918
Charles B. Wilson, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Dec. 1, 1928)-----	1919
George A. Hosley, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died May 13, 1930)-----	1920
Robert W. McBride, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died May 15, 1926)-----	1921
C. S. Brodbent, <sup>2</sup> Texas (died Apr. 23, 1931)-----	1922
Frank A. Walsh, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died Mar. 5, 1932)-----	1923
Wilfred A. Wetherbee, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Nov. 13, 1930)-----	1924
Oscar A. Janes, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died Apr. 26, 1933)-----	1925
A. G. Beatty, <sup>2</sup> Iowa (died Nov. 17, 1928)-----	1926
Calvin A. Brainard, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Jan. 12, 1936)-----	1927
James E. Jewel, <sup>2</sup> Colorado and Wyoming (died Nov. 7, 1939)-----	1928
Charles E. Nason, <sup>2</sup> Maine (died Sept. 15, 1932)-----	1929
Jacob Secrest, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Nov. 26, 1935)-----	1930
Oley Nelson, <sup>2</sup> Iowa (died Apr. 15, 1938)-----	1931
Russell C. Martin, <sup>2</sup> Los Angeles, Calif. (commander in chief, June 15, 1933) (died Dec. 29, 1945)-----	1932
Charles E. Jones, <sup>2</sup> Alabama (promoted June 15, 1933; died Dec. 26, 1933)-----	1933
Thomas H. Peacock, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died in office, Jan. 23, 1934)-----	1933
Edwin H. Lincoln, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (promoted Jan. 23, 1934; died Oct. 15, 1938)-----	1934
Harding I. Merrill, <sup>2</sup> Kansas (died June 22, 1937)-----	1934
A. C. Estabrook, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died Feb. 12, 1941)-----	1935
Henry F. Russell, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Dec. 3, 1937)-----	1936
Henry Held, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died Aug. 6, 1939)-----	1937
Frank L. Quade, <sup>2</sup> Iowa (died May 9, 1945)-----	1938
A. T. Anderson, <sup>2</sup> Washington, Pa. (commander in chief, June 30, 1940) (died Sept. 15, 1944)-----	1939
William W. Nixon, <sup>2</sup> Kansas (promoted June 30, 1940; died Mar. 17, 1944)-----	1940
Thomas Ambrose, Chicago, Ill-----	1940
Thomas Rideour, <sup>2</sup> Crestline, Ohio (died Feb. 7, 1946)-----	1941
Isaac W. Sharp, <sup>2</sup> Warsaw, Ind (died Nov. 10, 1946)-----	1942
Lansing A. Wilcox, <sup>5</sup> Cadott, Wis-----	1943
John M. Gudgel, <sup>5</sup> Shenandoah, Iowa (died March 22, 1947)-----	1944
John H. Grate, Atwater, Ohio-----	1945
Theodore A. Penland, Portland, Oreg-----	1946

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from order.<sup>5</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.

## PAST JUNIOR VICE COMANDERS IN CHIEF

Robert S. Foster, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Mar. 3, 1903)	1866
Joseph R. Hawley, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 18, 1905)	1866-69
Louis Wagner, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 15, 1914)	1870
James Coey, <sup>2</sup> California (died July 14, 1918)	1871
J. Warren Keifer, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Apr. 22, 1933)	1871-72
Edgar Ferguson, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died Sept. 18, 1901)	1873
Guy T. Gould, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Mar. 4, 1919)	1874
Charles J. Buckbee, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Nov. 5, 1896)	1875-76
William Earnshaw, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died July 17, 1885)	1877
Herbert E. Hill, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Apr. 8, 1892)	1878
Harrison Dingman, <sup>2</sup> Potomac (died Sept. 26, 1925)	1879
George Bowers, <sup>2</sup> New Hampshire (died Feb. 14, 1884)	1880
C. V. R. Pond, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died June 9, 1912)	1881
I. S. Bangs, <sup>2</sup> Maine (died May 30, 1903)	1882
Walter H. Holmes, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Mar. 26, 1889)	1883
Ira E. Hicks, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 23, 1919)	1884
John R. Lewis, <sup>2</sup> Georgia (died Feb. 8, 1900)	1885
Edgar Allen, <sup>2</sup> Virginia (died Oct. 28, 1904)	1886
John C. Linehan, <sup>2</sup> New Hampshire (died Sept. 19, 1905)	1887
Joseph Hadfield, <sup>3</sup> New York	1888
John F. Lovett, <sup>2</sup> New Jersey (died Mar. 27, 1926)	1889
George B. Creamer, <sup>2</sup> Maryland (died Sept. 16, 1896)	1890
T. S. Clarkson, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died Jan. 16, 1915)	1891
Peter B. Ayars, <sup>2</sup> Delaware (died Jan. 19, 1904)	1892
J. C. Bigger, <sup>2</sup> Texas (died Sept. 24, 1900)	1893
Charles H. Shute, <sup>2</sup> Louisiana (died Nov. 26, 1907)	1894
S. G. Cosgrove, <sup>2</sup> Washington and Alaska (died Mar. 28, 1909)	1895
Charles W. Buckley, <sup>2</sup> Alabama (died Dec. 4, 1906)	1896
Francis B. Allen, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died July 26, 1921)	1897
Daniel Ross, <sup>2</sup> Delaware (senior vice, Sept. 6, 1899; died Mar. 26, 1916)	1898
Michael Minton, <sup>2</sup> Kentucky (died Oct. 9, 1911)	1899
Frank Seaman, <sup>2</sup> Tennessee (died Nov. 20, 1910)	1900
James O'Donnell, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Feb. 15, 1910)	1901
James P. Averill, <sup>2</sup> Georgia (died Oct. 12, 1904)	1902
Harry C. Kessler, <sup>2</sup> Montana (died Sept. 10, 1907)	1903
George N. Patton, <sup>2</sup> Tennessee (senior vice, July 17, 1905; died Sept. 19, 1906)	1904
Ephraim B. Stillings, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (elected Sept. 4, 1905; died Dec. 30, 1917)	1905
Silas H. Towler, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died Apr. 23, 1930)	1905
E. B. Fenton, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died Nov. 19, 1927)	1906
William M. Scott, <sup>2</sup> Georgia (died Aug. 29, 1928)	1907
Charles C. Royce, <sup>2</sup> Potomac (died Feb. 11, 1923)	1908
Alfred B. Beers, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 31, 1920)	1909
William James, <sup>2</sup> Florida (died Dec. 11, 1923)	1910
William A. Ogden, <sup>2</sup> Kansas (died Oct. 31, 1914)	1911
Americus Whedon, <sup>2</sup> Kentucky (died Oct. 18, 1921)	1912
A. S. Fowler, <sup>2</sup> Arkansas (died Oct. 18, 1922)	1913
W. F. Conner, <sup>2</sup> Texas (senior vice, Mar. 10, 1915; died Mar. 1, 1919)	1914
Oscar A. James, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (elected Apr. 1, 1914; died Apr. 26, 1933)	1915
Le Vant Dodge, <sup>2</sup> Kentucky (died Mar. 6, 1925)	1915
E. K. Russ, <sup>3</sup> Louisiana	1916
John M. Vernon, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Nov. 20, 1921)	1917
Charles H. Haber, <sup>2</sup> Virginia (died Nov. 30, 1927)	1918
Isidor Isaacs, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Feb. 18, 1924)	1919
J. E. Gandy, <sup>2</sup> Washington and Alaska (died June 5, 1934)	1920
Henry A. Johnson, <sup>2</sup> Potomac (died Dec. 5, 1935)	1921
C. V. Gardner, <sup>2</sup> South Dakota (died Dec. 15, 1930)	1922
George T. Leech, <sup>2</sup> Maryland (died Aug. 4, 1940)	1923
John Reese, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died July 5, 1935)	1924

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from order.

## PAST JUNIOR VICE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF—Continued

William O. Allen, <sup>2</sup> New Jersey (died Sept. 22, 1931)-----	1925
Charles H. Haskins, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Oct. 16, 1933)-----	1926
Samuel E. Mahan, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died Sept. 20, 1940)-----	1927
Henry J. Kearney, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Apr. 30, 1933)-----	1928
James W. Shields, <sup>2</sup> Idaho (died Dec. 17, 1933)-----	1929
Charles H. Lewis, <sup>2</sup> Rhode Island (died May 1938)-----	1930
Russell C. Martin, <sup>2</sup> Los Angeles, Calif-----	1931
Charles E. Jones, <sup>2</sup> (senior vice, June 15, 1933; died Dec. 26, 1933)-----	1932
Arthur Dawson, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (elected Sept. 18, 1933; died Apr. 7, 1940)-----	1933
Edwin H. Lincoln, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (senior vice, Jan. 23, 1934; died Oct. 15, 1938)-----	1933
John E. Andrew, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (elected Apr. 27, 1934; died June 30, 1940)-----	1934
George H. Pounder, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died Dec. 10, 1936)-----	1934
Overton H. Mennet, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Jan. 25, 1941)-----	1935
Thomas Ambrose, <sup>5</sup> Chicago, Ill-----	1936
Robert M. Rownd, <sup>8</sup> Ripley, N. Y-----	1937
John W. Carroll, <sup>2</sup> North Dakota (died March 3, 1942)-----	1938
William W. Nixon, <sup>2</sup> Kansas (senior vice, June 30, 1940; died Mar. 17, 1944)-----	1939
William H. McCoy, <sup>2</sup> New Jersey (elected Sept. 9, 1940; died Nov. 16, 1941)-----	1940
Rustan O. Reed, <sup>2</sup> Washington (died Feb. 23, 1942)-----	1940
John S. Dumser, <sup>8</sup> Oakland, Calif-----	1941
Charles H. Perry, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died 1944)-----	1942
Hiram H. Shumate, <sup>2</sup> Riverton, Ill-----	1943
Hiram R. Gale, <sup>8</sup> Washington and Alaska-----	1944
Theodore A. Penland, Portland, Oreg-----	1945
Orlando LeValley, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died April 19, 1946)-----	1946

## PAST ADJUTANT GENERAL (LIVING)

Thomas Ambrose, <sup>5</sup> Chicago, Ill-----	1940
John S. Dumser, California-----	1946
John C. Adams, <sup>1</sup> Jonesboro, Ind-----	1947

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>5</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.<sup>8</sup> Past commander in chief.

## DEPARTMENTS

[The figures within parentheses indicate the number of each department in the order of permanent organization]

### CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA (10)

(Organized February 21, 1868. Membership, December 31, 1947, 6, Posts, 4)

*Department Commander*----- JOHN W. SMITH.  
*Senior Vice Department Commander*----- CHAS. L. CHAPPEL.  
*Assistant Adjutant General*----- MARCUS E. GETTER.

#### PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

John E. Miller, <sup>2</sup> (provisional), 1867.	W. R. Thomas, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
James Coey, <sup>2</sup> 1868-69.	G. M. Stormont, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
W. L. Campbell, <sup>2</sup> 1870.	B. B. Tuttle, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
W. E. McArthur, <sup>2</sup> 1871-72.	Hiram P. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
W. H. Aiken, <sup>2</sup> 1873-74.	A. E. Leavitt, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
A. Carlson, <sup>2</sup> 1875.	C. H. Haskins, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
A. C. Bagley, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	John H. Roberts, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
S. W. Backus, <sup>2</sup> 1877.	R. C. Martin, <sup>2</sup> Los Angeles, 1919.
S. P. Ford, <sup>2</sup> 1878-79.	George D. Kellogg, <sup>2</sup> 1920 (died in office).
C. Mason Kinne, <sup>2</sup> 1880-81.	G. M. Burlingame, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
W. A. Robinson, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	William H. Noll, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
J. W. Staples, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	S. W. Hopkins, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
James M. Davis, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	James R. Milner, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
R. H. Warfield, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	George W. Grannis, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
W. R. Smedburg, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	C. S. Stoddard, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
E. S. Salomon, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Peter H. Mass, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
T. H. Goodman, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	W. A. Packard, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
George E. Gard, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	H. H. Woodruff, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
A. J. Buckles, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Darwin B. Wolcott, <sup>2</sup> Los Angeles, 1929.
W. H. L. Barnes, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	John C. Chapman, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
J. B. Fuller, <sup>2</sup> 1892	A. E. Vest, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
E. C. Seymour, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	J. S. Dumser, <sup>7</sup> Oakland, 1932.
J. M. Walling, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	O. H. Mennet, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
C. E. Wilson, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Wm. H. Bostaph, <sup>2</sup> 1934 (died in office).
T. C. Masteller, <sup>3</sup> 1896.	George N. Lockwood, <sup>2</sup> Los Angeles, 1935.
N. P. Chapman, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	S. R. Yoho, <sup>2</sup> San Francisco, 1936.
Sol Cahen, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	John W. Grimes, <sup>2</sup> 1937.
A. F. Dill, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	F. R. Young, <sup>2</sup> 1938.
George M. Mott, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Robert C. Blair, <sup>2</sup> 1939.
George Stone, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	Alvin H. Blanchard, <sup>2</sup> Oakland, 1940.
W. G. Hawley, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	Elisha Ames, <sup>2</sup> W. Los Angeles, 1941.
William R. Shafter, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	Oliver H. Castle, <sup>2</sup> 1942.
Charles T. Rice, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	John W. Smith, <sup>2</sup> Santa Cruz, 1943.
W. W. Russell, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	Henry M. Mingay, <sup>2</sup> Glendale, Calif., 1944.
William C. Alberger, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	Chas L. Chappel, <sup>1</sup> Long Beach, 1945.
William G. Waters, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	John S. Dumser, <sup>7</sup> 1946.
Samuel Merrill, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	John W. Smith, 1947.
W. S. Daubenspeck, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	
E. L. Hawk, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	
H. V. Parker, <sup>2</sup> 1911.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from the order.

<sup>7</sup> Past commander in chief.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued

J. Clyde Millar,<sup>2</sup> 1893, transferred from Alabama.  
George Hoxworth,<sup>2</sup> 1897, transferred from Arizona.  
James P. Rhodes,<sup>2</sup> 1920, transferred from Arizona.  
D. P. Kyle,<sup>2</sup> 1921, transferred from Arizona.  
H. F. Wallace,<sup>2</sup> 1916, transferred from Arkansas.  
U. S. Hollister,<sup>2</sup> 1897, transferred from Colorado and Wyoming.  
R. H. Mellette,<sup>2</sup> 1907, transferred from Colorado and Wyoming.  
P. Q. Stoner,<sup>2</sup> 1913, transferred from Georgia and South Carolina.  
Silas Wilson,<sup>2</sup> 1919, transferred from Idaho.  
Joseph S. Reynolds,<sup>2</sup> 1877, transferred from Illinois.  
John J. Steadman,<sup>2</sup> 1892, transferred from Iowa.  
O. H. Coulter,<sup>2</sup> 1899, transferred from Kansas.  
Perry H. Manchester,<sup>2</sup> 1900, transferred from Montana.  
A. V. Cole,<sup>2</sup> 1885, transferred from Nebraska.  
Clarendon E. Adams,<sup>2</sup> 1895, transferred from Nebraska.  
John W. Edwards,<sup>2</sup> 1902, transferred from New Mexico.  
H. B. Steward,<sup>2</sup> 1910, transferred from New Mexico.  
John C. Gipson,<sup>2</sup> 1902, transferred from New York.  
William A. Bentley,<sup>2</sup> 1891, transferred from North Dakota.  
J. P. Cummings,<sup>2</sup> 1894, transferred from Oklahoma.  
James E. Burns,<sup>2</sup> 1901, transferred from Oklahoma.  
W. H. Hornaday,<sup>2</sup> 1907, transferred from Oklahoma.  
W. S. Tilton,<sup>2</sup> 1920, transferred from Oklahoma.  
M. V. Lucas,<sup>2</sup> 1884–86, transferred from South Dakota.  
E. T. Langley,<sup>2</sup> 1890, transferred from South Dakota.  
Philip Lawrence,<sup>2</sup> 1900, transferred from South Dakota.  
Thomas E. Blanchard,<sup>2</sup> 1902, transferred from South Dakota.  
M. A. Breeden,<sup>2</sup> 1900, transferred from Utah.  
William M. Bostaph,<sup>2</sup> 1902, transferred from Utah.  
Frank M. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1904, transferred from Washington and Alaska.  
W. H. Wiscombe,<sup>2</sup> 1910, transferred from Washington and Alaska.  
John J. See,<sup>2</sup> 1917, transferred from Washington and Alaska.  
O. D. McDonald,<sup>2</sup> 1920, transferred from Washington and Alaska.  
A. H. DeGroff,<sup>2</sup> 1901, transferred from Wisconsin.

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<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

## COLORADO AND WYOMING (21)

(Organized as the Department of Colorado, in 1868; reorganized in 1876 as Department of the Mountains; name changed to Colorado, July 31, 1882; changed to Colorado and Wyoming, August 28, 1889. Membership, December 31, 1947, 1. Posts, 1)

*Department Commander* — ROBERT T. BRYAN,<sup>3 4</sup> Boulder

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Frederick J. Bancroft,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
 Andrew W. Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1878-79.  
 John W. Donnellan,<sup>2</sup> 1880-82.  
 Eugene K. Stimson,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.  
 Byron L. Carr,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 Aninman, V. Bohn,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Henry Bowman,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 George Ady,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 John W. Browning,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Thomas J. Fisher,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Delos L. Holden,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 George W. Cook,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 John C. Kennedy,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Myron W. Reed,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Nathaniel Rollins,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Nichols J. O'Brien,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Horace O. Dodge,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 U. S. Hollister,<sup>2</sup> 1897 (see California and Nevada).  
 Wm. T. S. May,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Andrew Royal,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Harper M. Orahood,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Linus E. Sherman,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 James W. Huff,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Harrison S. Vaughn,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Thomas J. Downen,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 George W. Curfman,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Loren C. Dana,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 Richard H. Mellette,<sup>2</sup> 1907 (see California and Nevada).  
 Henry C. Watson,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 John W. Wingate,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 William W. Ferguson,<sup>2</sup> 1910 (died in office).

William H. McDonald,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Dexter T. Sapp,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 Henry M. Minor,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 Cyrus A. Brooks,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 O. S. Reed,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 Frank O. Burdick,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 James Moynahan,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 James H. Cohmstock,<sup>2</sup> 1917.  
 Asa Curl,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
 Carroll M. Bills,<sup>2</sup> 1919.  
 Marshall S. Crawford,<sup>2</sup> 1920.  
 James E. Jewel,<sup>2</sup> 1921.  
 Samuel J. Capps,<sup>2</sup> 1922 (died in office).  
 A. W. Hogle,<sup>2</sup> 1923.  
 William Butler,<sup>2</sup> 1923.  
 J. C. Plank,<sup>2</sup> 1924.  
 J. L. Randall,<sup>2</sup> 1925.  
 W. M. Robertson,<sup>2</sup> 1926.  
 J. E. Laycock,<sup>2</sup> 1927.  
 C. Ricketts,<sup>2</sup> 1928.  
 W. E. Moses,<sup>2</sup> 1929 (died in office).  
 R. Q. Tenney,<sup>2</sup> 1929.  
 David N. Heiser,<sup>2</sup> 1930.  
 E. C. Condit,<sup>2</sup> 1931.  
 Alba J. Rawson,<sup>2</sup> 1932-33.  
 Chas. H. Pridmore,<sup>2</sup> 1934.  
 Tobias Mattox,<sup>2</sup> 1935.  
 R. H. Hoffman,<sup>2</sup> 1936.  
 Joshua C. Pearce,<sup>2</sup> 1937.  
 Lewis H. Easterly,<sup>2</sup> 1938-43 (died in office).  
 George Metz,<sup>2</sup> Fort Collins, 1943-45 (died in office).  
 Robert T. Bryan,<sup>4</sup> Boulder, 1946-47.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> Department commander.

<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.

## CONNECTICUT (6)

(Organized April 11, 1867. Membership, December 31, 1947, 1. Posts, 1)

*Department commander* ----- CHARLES DOUGLAS, New Haven

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Edward Harland, <sup>2</sup> 1867.	George Haven, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Theodore G. Ellis, <sup>2</sup> 1868-69.	Edson S. Bishop, <sup>5</sup> 1910.
William A. Mallory, <sup>2</sup> 1870-71.	Richard J. Cutbill, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
L. A. Dickinson, 1872-73.	William H. Dougal, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
Charles S. Buckbee, <sup>2</sup> 1874-75.	James R. Sloane, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
William E. Disbrow, <sup>2</sup> 1876-77.	Fred V. Streeter, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Frank G. Otis, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	Charles Griswold, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Frank E. Fowler, <sup>2</sup> 1878-79.	Henry J. Seeley, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
George S. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	Benjamin H. Cheney, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
Alfred B. Beers, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	Christian Quien, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
Ira E. Hicks, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	George T. Meech, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
Isaac C. Hyatt, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	Randolph Williamson, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
William Berry, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	Christian Swartz, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
Frank D. Sloat, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Orrin M. Price, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
John T. Crary, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	John L. Saxe, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
Henry E. Taintor, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Ira R. Wildman, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
Samuel B. Horne, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	James W. Davis, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
William H. Pierpont, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	James R. Young, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
John C. Broatch, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Charles M. Shailer, 1927.
Henry N. Fanton, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	George A. Tucker, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
Benajah P. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	James Haggerty, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
Wilbur F. Rogers, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Frank A. Cargill, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
Selah G. Blakeman, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Henry W. Burrill, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
John M. Brewer, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Lewis L. Baker, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
Oscar W. Cornish, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Edward T. Abbott, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
Gustav D. Bates, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	Lyman H. Call, <sup>2</sup> 1934.
William Simonds, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Caspar D. Wallace, <sup>2</sup> 1935.
Henry R. Jones, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Edward A. Pinkney, <sup>2</sup> 1936 (died in office).
John K. Bucklyn, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Russell Van Deusen, <sup>2</sup> 1936.
Thomas Boudren, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	Charles Douglas, <sup>4</sup> New Haven, 1937.
N. Burton Rogers, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	Truman N. Parsons, <sup>2</sup> 1938.
Morgan G. Bulkeley, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	Nathan Coe, <sup>2</sup> 1939-40.
William C. Hilliard, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	Truman N. Parsons, <sup>2</sup> 1941-42 (died in office).
Albert A. May, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	Charles Douglas, <sup>4</sup> New Haven, 1943-47.
Virgil F. McNeil, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	
Charles A. Appel, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	
Edward Griswold, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.<sup>5</sup> Not a member of the order.

## ILLINOIS (1)

(Organized April 6, 1866. Membership, December 31, 1947, 4. Posts, 1.)

*Department commander*----- LEWIS FABLINGER, Downers Grove.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

B. F. Stephenson, <sup>2</sup> 1866.	Joseph Rosenbaum, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
John M. Palmer, <sup>2</sup> 1867.	Philip C. Hayes, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Thomas S. Osborne, <sup>2</sup> 1868-70.	James A. Connolly, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Charles E. Lippincott, <sup>2</sup> 1871.	C. C. Duffy, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
Hubert Dilger, <sup>2</sup> 1872.	Thomas H. Gault, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
Guy T. Gould, <sup>2</sup> 1873.	J. H. Crowder, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
H. H. Hilliard, <sup>2</sup> 1874-76.	Samuel Fallows, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Joseph S. Reynolds, <sup>2</sup> 1877 (see California and Nevada).	John M. Snyder, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
T. B. Coulter, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	W. F. Calhoun, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
Edgar D. Swain, <sup>2</sup> 1878-80.	C. S. Bentley, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
J. W. Burst, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	Joseph W. Fifer, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
Thomas G. Lawler, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	Henry D. Fulton, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
Samuel A. Harper, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	Edwin N. Armstrong, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
L. T. Dickason, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	William P. Wright, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
W. W. Berry, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	E. P. Bartlett, <sup>2</sup> 1922 (died in office).
Philip Sidney Post, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	J. M. Oulson, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
A. C. Sweetser, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	William J. Libberton, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
James A. Sexton, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Philip Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
James S. Martin, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	O. R. Kenney, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
William L. Distin, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	John E. Andrew, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
Horace S. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	D. H. Harper, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
Edwin Harlan, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Charles T. Marsh, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
Edwin A. Blodgett, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	H. B. Davidson, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
H. H. McDowell, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	A. C. Best, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
William H. Powell, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	James H. Campbell, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
W. G. Cochran, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	H. C. First, <sup>2</sup> 1932 (died in office).
A. L. Schimpff, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	Wm. O'Callaghan, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
John C. Black, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	George A. Robinson, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
John B. Inman, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	William N. Hodge, <sup>2</sup> 1934.
J. M. Longnecker, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Thomas Ambrose, <sup>5</sup> Chicago, 1935.
N. B. Thistlewood, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	William N. Hodge, <sup>2</sup> 1936.
H. M. Trimble, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	John E. Andrew, <sup>2</sup> 1937-38.
Benson Wood, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	Thomas Ambrose, <sup>5</sup> Chicago, 1939.
Robert Mann Woods, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	Hiram H. Shumate, <sup>6</sup> Riverton, 1940-43.
John C. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	William P. Lockwood, Kankakee, 1944.
Edwin H. Buck, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	Hiram H. Shumate, <sup>2</sup> <sup>6</sup> Riverton, 1940-46.
A. C. Mathews, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	Lewis Fablinger, 1947.

Milton J. Stewart,<sup>2</sup> 1885, transferred from Kansas.Charles M. Travis,<sup>2</sup> 1889, transferred from Indiana.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>5</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.<sup>6</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief.

## INDIANA (20)

(Organized August 20, 1866; reorganized October 3, 1879. Membership, December 31, 1947, 3, Posts, 2)

*Department commander* ----- JOHN C. ADAMS,<sup>7</sup> Jonesboro.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Robert S. Foster, <sup>2</sup> 1866; 1868.	Alexander P. Asbury, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Nathan Kimball, <sup>2</sup> 1867.	Daniel Waugh, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
Oliver M. Wilson, <sup>2</sup> 1869.	Frank Swigart, <sup>2</sup> 1912 (died in office).
Louis Humphrey, <sup>2</sup> 1870-71.	Wilbur E. Gorsuch, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
Jonathan B. Hagar, <sup>2</sup> 1879.	Daniel W. Comstock, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Samuel E. Armstrong, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	A. B. Crampton, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
William W. Dudley, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	Lewis King, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
James R. Carnahan, <sup>2</sup> 1882-83.	V. V. Williams, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
Edwin Nicar, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	Samuel M. Hench, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
David N. Foster, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Alonzo Murphy, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
Thomas W. Bennett, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	William F. Medsker, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
Ira J. Chase, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Robert W. McBride, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
Argus D. Vanosdol, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Richard H. Hyner, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
Chas. M. Travis, <sup>2</sup> 1889 (see Illinois).	William A. Kelsey, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Gil R. Stormont, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Albert J. Ball, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
Ivan N. Walker, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	F. M. VanPelt, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
Joseph B. Cheadle, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	David Strouse, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
James T. Johnston, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	James W. Spain, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
Albert O. Marsh, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	John H. Hoffman, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
Harvey B. Shively, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	W. F. Molyneaux, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
Henry M. Caylor, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Charles E. Hale, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
James S. Dodge, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	Isaac B. Austin, <sup>2</sup> 1930 (died in office).
Daniel Ryan, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	James Kilmartin, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
William L. Dunlap, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	F. M. McNair, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
David E. Beem, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	James Bowden, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
Milton Garrigus, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	Jasper N. Callicott, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
Beujamin Starr, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	John F. McKinley, <sup>2</sup> 1934 (died in office).
George W. Grubbs, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	Edward McClelland, <sup>2</sup> 1935.
Daniel R. Lucas, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	Quincey A. Hunt, <sup>2</sup> 1936.
Marine D. Tackett, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	John H. Stone, <sup>2</sup> 1937-41 (died in office).
Edmund R. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	David S. Moist, <sup>2</sup> 1942.
William A. Ketcham, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	Isaac W. Sharp, <sup>2</sup> Warsaw, 1942-44.
John D. Alexander, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	John F. Smith, <sup>2</sup> Marion, 1945.
Orlando A. Somers, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	John C. Adams, <sup>7</sup> 1946-47.

## PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

Dr. Henry C. Rogers,<sup>2</sup> Rockville

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>7</sup> Adjutant general.

## IOWA (19)

(Organized September 28, 1866; reorganized January 23, 1879. Membership, December 31, 1947, 2. Posts, 0)

*Department commander----- JAMES P. MARTIN, Sutherland.*

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

J. C. Parrott, <sup>2</sup> 1874-75.	J. W. Willett, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
A. A. Perkins, <sup>2</sup> 1876-78.	Byron C. Ward, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
H. E. Griswold, <sup>2</sup> 1879.	John F. Merry, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
W. F. Conrad, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	John H. Mills, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
Peter V. Carey, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	J. L. Farrington, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
George B. Hogin, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	E. J. C. Bealer, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
John B. Cook, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	A. G. Beatty, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
E. G. Miller, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	R. L. Chase, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
W. R. Manning, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	J. B. Harsh, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
W. A. McHenry, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	L. J. Kron, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
J. M. Tuttle, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	W. W. Gist, <sup>2</sup> 1923 (died in office).
E. A. Consigny, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	W. S. Freeman, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
Charles H. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	W. H. Needham, <sup>2</sup> 1924 (died in office).
Mason P. Mills, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	D. B. Cowles, <sup>2</sup> 1924 (died in office).
Charles L. Davidson, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Orlando S. Hartman, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
J. J. Steadman, <sup>2</sup> 1892 (see California and Nevada).	Frank Dagle, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
Phil. Schaller, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	E. J. Stonebraker, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
George A. Newman, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Oley Nelson, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
J. K. P. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	J. W. Stratton, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
Josiah Given, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	John K. Ewing, <sup>2</sup> 1929 (died in office).
A. H. Evans, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	Joseph Pratt, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
R. W. Tirrell, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Watson Risdene, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
C. F. Bailey, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	John T. Lucas, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
M. B. Davis, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	T. J. Noll, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
George Metzger, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	Frank L. Quade, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
John Lindt, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	L. J. Leech, <sup>2</sup> 1934.
L. B. Raymond, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	Horace B. Kelly, <sup>2</sup> 1935 (died in office).
R. T. St. John, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	J. C. Hanes, <sup>2</sup> 1935.
S. H. Harper, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	John P. Risley, <sup>2</sup> 1936-37 (died in office).
C. A. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	Michael Hawk, <sup>2</sup> 1938.
D. J. Palmer, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	James W. Willett, <sup>2</sup> 1939 (died in office).
J. C. Milliman, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	Jacob J. Neuman, <sup>2</sup> 1940.
M. McDonald, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	Elliott P. Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1941.
H. A. Dyer, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	John M. Gudgel, <sup>5</sup> Shenandoah, 1942
Lot Abraham, <sup>2</sup> 1911.	David S. Sisk, <sup>2</sup> Marshalltown, 1943.
J. D. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1912.	John M. Gudgel, <sup>5</sup> Shenandoah, 1944-46.
	James P. Martin, <sup>4</sup> Sutherland, 1947.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>5</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.

## KANSAS (22)

(Organized December 7, 1866; reorganized March 16, 1880. Membership, December 31, 1947, 2. Posts, 0)

*Department commander*----- ALONZO McMURPHY,<sup>4</sup> Sterling.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- CHARLES WINGROVE, Wichita.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

John A. Martin, <sup>2</sup> 1866-67.	J. N. Harrison, <sup>2</sup> 1912-13.
John Carpenter, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	Ira D. Brougher, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
W. S. Jenkins, <sup>2</sup> 1872 (see Missouri).	C. A. Meek, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Stephen A. Cobb, <sup>2</sup> 1873.	R. M. Painter, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
John Guthrie, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	A. C. Pierce, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
J. H. Gilpatrick, <sup>2</sup> 1877-78.	W. W. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
J. C. Walkinshaw, <sup>2</sup> 1879-82.	Theodore Gardner, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
Thomas J. Anderson, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	Joseph A. Walter, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
Homer W. Pond, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	George P. Washburn, <sup>2</sup> 1921 (died in office).
Milton J. Stewart, <sup>2</sup> 1885 (see Illinois).	E. W. Bowman, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
C. J. McDivett, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	William W. Dennison, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
T. H. Soward, <sup>2</sup> 1887 (see Oklahoma).	William H. Mitchell, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
J. W. Feighan, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Andrew Graff, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
Henry Booth, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	Fred Jackson, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
Ira A. Collins, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Samuel Baughman, <sup>2</sup> 1926 (see Florida).
Timothy McCarthy, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	R. H. McWhorter, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
A. R. Green, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	H. I. Merrill, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
Bernard Kelly, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	J. W. Priddy, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
W. P. Campbell, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	C. K. King, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
John P. Harris, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	E. W. Phillips, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
W. C. Whitney, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	J. H. Harvey, <sup>2</sup> 1932 (died in office).
Theo. Botkin, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	Grear Nagel, <sup>2</sup> 1932 (died in office).
D. W. Eastman, <sup>2</sup> 1898 (see Oklahoma).	H. W. Wardell, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
O. H. Coulter, <sup>2</sup> 1899 (see California and Nevada).	W. B. Rhodes, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
W. W. Martin, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	W. W. Nixon, <sup>2</sup> 1934.
J. B. Remington, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	A. O. Gere, <sup>2</sup> 1935.
H. C. Loomis, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	J. H. Getty, <sup>2</sup> 1936.
Abraham W. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	Henry Keller, <sup>2</sup> 1937.
Charles Harris, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	Philip Weinrich, <sup>2</sup> 1938.
P. H. Coney, <sup>2</sup> 1905-6.	T. B. Williams, <sup>2</sup> 1939.
R. A. Campbell, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	J. W. Malloy, <sup>2</sup> 1940.
W. A. Morgan, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	George Schreiner, <sup>2</sup> 1941.
Joel H. Rickel, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	J. P. Fair, <sup>2</sup> 1942.
Nathan E. Harmon, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	William W. Nixon, <sup>2</sup> 1943.
T. P. Anderson, <sup>2</sup> 1911.	Alonzo McMurphy, <sup>4</sup> Sterling, 1944-47.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.

## KENTUCKY (27)

(Organized January 16, 1883. Membership, December 31, 1947, 2. Posts, 0)

*Department commander*----- ROBERT BARRETT,<sup>4</sup> Princeton.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- ROBERT ALSIP, Corbin.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

J. C. Michie, <sup>2</sup> 1833.	R. B. Hewetson, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
W. H. Harton, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	Sanford D. Van Pelt, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
George W. Northup, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Charles C. Degman, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
T. Z. Morrow, 1886.	John Barr, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
William Bowman, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	W. J. L. Hughes, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Orrin A. Reynolds, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Edward Farley, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Vincent Boreing, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	John T. Gunn, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Michael Minton, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Sam D. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
Samuel G. Hills, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	J. R. Howard, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
Edward H. Hobson, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	T. A. Casey, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
T. Edward Livezey, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Andrew Offut, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
Daniel O'Riley, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	M. H. Davidson, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
Robert M. Kelly, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Jacob Seibert, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
Americus Whedon, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	John T. English, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Andrew J. Tharp, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	E. F. Tucker, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
J. W. Hammond, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	C. C. Furr, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
Joseph H. Browning, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	J. D. Compton, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
L. M. Drye, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Albert Scott, <sup>2</sup> 1926 (died in office).
John Blaes, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	Cyrus Edwards, <sup>2</sup> 1926-28.
T. F. Beyland, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	John T. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
W. G. Force, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	Robert T. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1930-33.
William T. Bausmith, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	Charles L. Dudley, <sup>2</sup> 1934-36.
Bernard Matthews, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	R. R. Graham, <sup>2</sup> 1937-43 (died in office).
George Grimstead, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	Robert Barrett, Sr., <sup>4</sup> Princeton, 1943-47.
Le Vant Dodge, <sup>2</sup> 1907-08.	

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.

## MAINE (9)

(Organized January 10, 1868. Membership, December 31, 1946, 0. Posts, 0)

<i>Department commander</i>	ZACHARY McLAUGHLIN. <sup>2</sup>
<i>Senior vice department commander</i>	
<i>Junior vice department commander</i>	
<i>Assistant adjutant general</i>	

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

George L. Beal, <sup>2</sup> 1868-69.	Augustus W. McCausland, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Charles P. Mattocks, <sup>2</sup> 1870-71.	John W. Webster, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Daniel White, <sup>2</sup> 1872-73.	Edwin Riley, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
Seldon Connor, <sup>2</sup> 1874-75.	William H. Holston, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
Nelson Howard, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	John F. Lamb, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
John D. Myrick, <sup>2</sup> , 1877.	Thomas S. Benson, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Augustus C. Hamlin, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	Simon S. Andrews, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Windsor B. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1879.	Tobias L. Eastman, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
Isaac S. Bangs, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	John Quincy Adams, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
William G. Haskell, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	Fred A. Motley, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
Augustus B. Farnham, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	George W. Goulding, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
Elisha M. Shaw, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	Henry E. Merriam, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
Benjamin Williams, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	Edward A. Butler, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
James A. Hall, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	George A. Gay, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Samuel W. Lane, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Ezekiel H. Hanson, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
Richard G. Gatley, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Charles E. Nason, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
Horace H. Burbank, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Albert R. Hill, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
Franklin M. Drew, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	Nathaniel W. White, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
John D. Anderson, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Nahum H. Pillsbury, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
Samuel L. Miller, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Nelson R. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
Isaac Dyer, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Samuel F. Emerson, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
Wainwright Cushing, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	F. S. Philbrick, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
J. Wesley Gilman, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Simon C. Hastings, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
William H. Green, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	John W. Folger, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
Lorenzo J. Carver, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	George T. Benson, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
Leroy T. Carleton, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	John B. Sawtelle, <sup>2</sup> 1934.
Charles A. Southard, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Joseph W. Lake, <sup>2</sup> 1935.
Frederick Robie, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Charles F. Tibbetts, <sup>2</sup> 1936.
Seth T. Snipe, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Oliver N. Leavitt, <sup>2</sup> 1937.
William Z. Clayton, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	John W. Palmer, <sup>2</sup> 1938.
James L. Merrick, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	Frank J. Savage, <sup>2</sup> 1939.
Joshua L. Chamberlain, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	George H. Jones, <sup>2</sup> Oxford, 1940.
Edwin C. Milliken, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	John W. Palmer, <sup>2</sup> 1941.
Henry O. Perry, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	Otis L. Coffin, <sup>2</sup> 1942.
Frederick S. Walls, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	George F. Stuart, <sup>2</sup> Freeport, 1943-45.
Frank F. Goss, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	George H. Jones, <sup>2</sup> 1945-46.
Woodbury K. Dana, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	Zachary McLaughlin, <sup>2</sup> 1947. (Died in office).

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

## MICHIGAN (18)

(Organized May 6, 1868; reorganized January 22, 1879. Membership, 1947, 1; Post, 1)

*Department commander* ----- ORLANDO LE VALLEY, Caro.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

R. A. Alger <sup>2</sup> (provisional), 1867.	George W. Stone, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
William A. Throop, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	John T. Spillane, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
William Humphrey, <sup>2</sup> 1869-70.	Frank R. Chase, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
C. V. R. Pond, <sup>2</sup> 1878-79.	Riley L. Jones, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
A. T. McReynolds, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	Henry C. Rankin, <sup>2</sup> 1915 (died in office).
Byron R. Pierce, <sup>2</sup> 1881-82.	Eli Strong, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Oscar A. Janes, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	L. H. Ives, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
Rush J. Shank, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	William O. Lee, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
Charles D. Long, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	David S. Howard, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
John Northwood, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Edwin F. Lamb, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
L. G. Rutherford, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Henry Spaulding, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
Washington Gardner, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	J. J. Holmes, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
Michael Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1889. (See Montana.)	William Mears, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Henry M. Duffield, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Lyman A. L. Gilbert, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
Charles L. Eaton, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Marvin C. Barney, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
Henry S. Dean, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	John Steel, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
James H. Kidd, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	James R. Stephenson, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
Louis Kanitz, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Charles A. Bartlett, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
S. B. Daboll, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	A. C. Estabrook, <sup>2</sup> 1928-30.
William Shakespeare, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Orestus Blake, <sup>2</sup> 1931-32.
Aaron T. Bliss, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	C. M. Cook, <sup>2</sup> 1933 (died in office).
Alex Patrick, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	John Killeen, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
Russell R. Pealer, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Frank D. Keeler, <sup>2</sup> 1934.
Ethel M. Allen, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Ira M. Stewart, <sup>2</sup> 1935-36.
James Van Kleeck, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	S. H. Carlton, <sup>2</sup> 1937.
Edward C. Anthony, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	A. C. Estabrook, <sup>2</sup> 1938.
D. B. K. Van Raalte, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	A. F. Chappelle, <sup>2</sup> 1939.
George H. Hopkins, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	A. C. Estabrook, <sup>2</sup> 1940 (died in office).
E. C. Cannon, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	Martin J. Warner, <sup>2</sup> 1940.
Joseph P. Griswold, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	John M. Park, <sup>2</sup> 1941.
William Jibb, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	Orlando LeValley, <sup>2</sup> Caro, 1942.
Charles E. Foote, <sup>2</sup> 1908 (died in office).	William H. Ferguson, <sup>2</sup> 1943.
George L. Holmes, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	Ralph R. Towner, <sup>2</sup> Allegan, 1944.
James M. Greenfield, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	Orlando LeValley, <sup>2</sup> 1945-47. (Died in office).
Samuel J. Lawrence, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	

## PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

Martin A. Loop,<sup>2</sup> Adrian, 1942<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

## MISSOURI (25)

(Organized May 16, 1867; reorganized April 22, 1882. Membership, December 31, 1947, 2. Posts, 0)

*Department commander*----- WILLIAM H. OSBORN,<sup>1 4</sup> Joplin.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- WILLIAM KOWAZEK, Hawk Point.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

William Warner, <sup>2</sup> 1882-83.	Arthur Dreifus, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
W. F. Chamberlain, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	William Lowe, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Nelson Cole, <sup>2</sup> 1885-86.	James B. Dobyne, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
E. E. Kimball, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Alex McCandless, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
Hiram Smith, Jr., <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Thomas W. Evans, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
John E. Phelps, <sup>2</sup> 1889 (see Washington and Alaska).	Phil F. Coghlan, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
Leo Rassieur, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	W. C. Calland, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
George W. Martin, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Samuel D. Webster, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
C. W. Whitehead, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	A. J. P. Barnes, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
Charles G. Burton, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	James H. Hunter, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Louis Grund, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Samuel M. Mann, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
Louis Benecke, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Alfred Zartman, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
Thomas B. Rodgers, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Charles Koock, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
John B. Platt, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	John W. Lanley, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
A. G. Peterson, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	D. H. Baldridge, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
John W. Scott, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	John Ferguson, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
Wilbur F. Henry, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Chas. H. Mitchell, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
George Hall, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	C. P. Woodruff, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
Ira T. Bronson, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	P. L. Swartz, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
F. M. Sterrett, <sup>2</sup> 1903 (see Ohio).	A. M. Reynolds, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
Jere T. Dew, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	R. B. Tyler, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
Henry Fairback, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	Smith George, <sup>2</sup> 1934.
John M. Williams, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	Perry Martin, <sup>2</sup> 1935.
Thomas D. Kimball, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	Jno. Hollingsworth, <sup>2</sup> 1936.
J. V. Martin, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	William Kowazek, Hawk Point, 1937.
W. H. Skinner, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	A. J. P. Barnes, <sup>2</sup> 1938.
Robert N. Denham, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	Stephen Thomas, <sup>2</sup> 1939.
Benjamin Warner, <sup>2</sup> 1911.	R. B. Tyler, <sup>2</sup> 1940 (died in office).
Charles W. Ruby, <sup>2</sup> 1912.	Jno. Hollingsworth, <sup>2</sup> 1941.
	William H. Osborn, <sup>4</sup> Joplin, 1942-47.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>4</sup> National patriotic instructor.

## NEBRASKA (17)

(Organized June 11, 1877. Membership, December 31, 1947, 1. Posts, 1)

*Department commander----- MICHAEL BONDOLL.*

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Paul Van Devoort, <sup>2</sup> 1877.	Griff J. Thomas, <sup>2</sup> 1879-81, transferred from Wisconsin.
R. H. Wilbur, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	A. M. Trimble, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
James W. Savage, <sup>2</sup> 1879-80.	M. V. King, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
S. J. Alexander, <sup>2</sup> 1881-82.	John A. Dempster, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
John C. Bonnell, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	O. H. Durand, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Henry E. Palmer, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	George C. Humphrey, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
A. V. Cole, <sup>2</sup> 1885 (see California and Nevada).	W. H. Stewart, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
John M. Thayer, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Wilson E. Majors, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
H. C. Russell, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	J. S. Hoagland, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
W. C. Henry, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	J. B. Strode, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
J. B. Davis, <sup>2</sup> 1889 (died in office).	Joseph H. Presson, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
S. H. Morrison, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	W. J. Blystone, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
T. S. Clarkson, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	John S. Davisson, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Joseph Teeter, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	O. C. Bell, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
C. J. Dilworth, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	S. F. Sanders, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
A. H. Church, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	E. F. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
Church Howe, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	J. O. Moore, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
Clarendon E. Adams, <sup>2</sup> 1895 (see California and Nevada).	David Bryson, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
J. H. Culver, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	H. V. Hoagland, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
John A. Ehrhardt, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	Thomas J. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
Thomas J. Majors, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	F. A. Damewood, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
John E. Evans, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	L. F. Ruppel, <sup>2</sup> 1931 (died in office).
John Reese, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	John H. Berger, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
R. S. Wilcox, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	C. P. Lomax, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
C. F. Steele, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	I. D. Evans, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
Lee Estelle, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	George Johnson, <sup>2</sup> 1934.
Harmon Bross, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	C. H. Kinney, <sup>2</sup> 1935.
John Lett, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	A. F. Rexroad, <sup>2</sup> 1936.
John R. Maxson, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	John Seberg, <sup>2</sup> 1937.
Thomas Creigh, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	R. E. Coleman, <sup>2</sup> Lincoln, 1938.
Eli A. Barnes, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	H. S. Woodworth, <sup>2</sup> 1939.
L. D. Richards, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	John S. Davisson, <sup>2</sup> 1940 (died in office).
John F. Diener, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	Alfred Hendee, <sup>2</sup> Panama, 1941.
	T. H. Allbee, <sup>2</sup> 1942.
	R. E. Coleman, <sup>2</sup> Lincoln, 1943-46.
	Michael Bondoll, 1947.

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<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

## NEW YORK (5)

(Organized April 3, 1867. Membership, December 31, 1947, 2. Posts, 2)

*Department commander* ----- JAMES A. HARD, Rochester.  
*Assistant adjutant general* ----- ROBERT M. ROWND,<sup>5</sup> Ripley.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

James B. McKean, <sup>2</sup> 1866-67.	George B. Loud, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
Daniel E. Sickles, <sup>2</sup> 1868-69.	Oscar Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
Edwin B. Lansing, <sup>2</sup> 1869.	Samuel C. Pierce, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
John C. Robinson, <sup>2</sup> 1870.	James D. Bell, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Henry A. Barnum, <sup>2</sup> 1871-72.	Zan L. Tidball, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Stephen P. Corliss, <sup>2</sup> 1873.	Solomon W. Russell, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
Edward Jardine, <sup>2</sup> 1874.	William F. Kirchner, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
John Palmer, <sup>2</sup> 1875.	Lewis S. Pilcher, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
James Tanner, <sup>2</sup> 1876-77.	Joseph E. Ewell, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
William F. Rogers, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	Alfred E. Stacey, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
James McQuade, <sup>2</sup> 1879.	Isadore Isaacs, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
L. Coe Young, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	Calvin A. Brainard, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Abram Merritt, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	Thomas J. McConekey, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
James S. Fraser, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	Henry L. Keene, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
John A. Reynolds, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	Duncan J. McMillan, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
Ira M. Hedges, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	John Van Duyn, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
H. Clay Hall, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	George W. Flynn, <sup>2</sup> 1927 (died in office).
Joseph I. Sayles, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	William M. Chatham, <sup>2</sup> 1928 (died in office).
George H. Treadwell, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Henry Lilly, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
N. Martin Curtis, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	William P. Griffith, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
Harrison Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	Martin V. Stone, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
Floyd Clarkson, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	George H. Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
Charles H. Freeman, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Calvin L. Vincent, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
Theodore L. Poole, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Henry J. Kearney, <sup>2</sup> 1932 (died in office).
Joseph P. Cleary, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Frank E. Cooley, <sup>2</sup> Rensselaer, 1933.
John C. Shotts, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	John Maxwell, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
Edward J. Atkinson, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Josiah C. Read, <sup>2</sup> 1934.
James S. Graham, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Robert M. Rownd, <sup>5</sup> Ripley, 1935.
Albert D. Shaw, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	George C. Eldredge, <sup>2</sup> 1936.
Anson S. Wood, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Joseph Bauer, <sup>2</sup> 1937.
Joseph W. Kay, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Thomas H. Stritch, <sup>2</sup> 1938-39.
N. P. Pond, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Henry Lilly, <sup>2</sup> 1940.
Charles A. Orr, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	Edwin Morris, <sup>2</sup> 1941.
Allan C. Bakewell, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	James A. Hard, Rochester, 1942.
John S. Foster, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	John W. Hays, Brookview, 1943.
Henry N. Burhans, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	Frank E. Cooley, <sup>2</sup> Rensselaer, 1944.
James N. Snyder, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	John W. Hays, <sup>2</sup> Brookview, 1945 (died in office).
John S. Maxwell, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	Frank E. Cooley, <sup>2</sup> Rensselaer, 1945 (died in office).
Harlan J. Swift, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	James A. Hard, Rochester, 1945-47.
William H. Daniels, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	
M. J. Cummings, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	
DeWitt C. Hurd, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	
De Alva S. Alexander, <sup>2</sup> 1884, transferred from Potomac.	
W. L. Palmer, <sup>2</sup> 1899, transferred from South Dakota.	
A. E. Sholes, <sup>2</sup> 1891, transferred from Georgia and South Carolina.	
David R. Wilson, <sup>2</sup> 1906, transferred from Virginia and North Carolina.	
John C. Gipson, <sup>2</sup> 1902, transferred from Oklahoma (see California and Nevada).	

## PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

Jacob Lester, Binghamton, 1931

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>5</sup> Commander in chief.

## OHIO (4)

(Organized January 30, 1867. Membership, December 31, 1947, 2. Posts, 1)

*Department commander* JOHN H. GRATE, Atwater, Ohio.  
*Assistant adjutant general* JOHN R. BENNETT,<sup>2</sup> Waynesfield.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

B. F. Potts, <sup>2</sup> 1866.	George Hall, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
Thomas L. Young, <sup>2</sup> 1867.	Charles H. Newton, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
J. Warren Keifer, <sup>2</sup> 1868-70.	Henry A. Axline, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
William C. Burnts, <sup>2</sup> 1871-72.	J. F. Johnston, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
G. M. Barber, <sup>2</sup> 1873-74.	Charles W. Blodgett, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
Alvin C. Voris, <sup>2</sup> 1875.	W. R. Warnock, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
William Earnshaw, <sup>2</sup> 1876-77.	J. Kent Hamilton, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Nathan L. Guthrie, <sup>2</sup> 1878 (died in office).	Seeley P. Mount, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
James H. Seymour, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	W. H. Surles, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
James H. Steadman, <sup>2</sup> 1879.	W. A. Pittenger, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
David W. Thomas, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	D. M. Hall, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
John S. Kountz, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	H. C. Martindale, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
Charles T. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1882-83.	John M. Adams, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
H. P. Lloyd, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	M. J. Sloan, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
R. B. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Gaylord M. Saltzgaber, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Arthur L. Conger, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Daniel S. Wilder, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
D. C. Putnam, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Edmund Burdsall, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
Joseph W. O'Neill, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	John Ambler, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
S. H. Hurst, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	Levi H. Derby, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
P. H. Dowling, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Jacob Secrest, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
A. M. Warner, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	John McClay, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
Isaac F. Mack, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Salonas A. Williams, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
L. H. Williams, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	W. A. Talbott, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
E. E. Nutt, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Ayres B. Adams, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
Charles Townsend, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	S. F. Bell, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
E. L. Lybarger, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	O. A. Marvin, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
Henry Kissinger, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	Charles J. McDargh, <sup>2</sup> 1934.
David F. Pugh, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Henry F. Russell, <sup>2</sup> 1935.
Thomas R. Shinn, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Francis S. Layton, <sup>2</sup> 1936.
Elias R. Monfort, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Theodore Wells, <sup>2</sup> 1937.
Emmet F. Taggart, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	Frederick Pfeister, Cincinnati, 1938.
Walton Weber, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	Frank S. Morris, <sup>2</sup> 1939.
Arthur C. Yengling, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	Thomas Ridenour, <sup>2</sup> Crestline, 1940.
B. M. Moulton, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	David M. Robbins, <sup>2</sup> 1941.
Amos Huffman, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	Byron W. Joslin, <sup>2</sup> 1942.
George A. Harmon, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	John R. Bennett, <sup>3</sup> Waynesfield, 1943.
W. S. Rogers, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	Lewis Heiston, <sup>2</sup> Pleasantville, 1944.
John H. Sharer, <sup>2</sup> 1908 (died in office).	John Grate, <sup>4</sup> Atwater, 1945-47.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Assistant adjutant general.<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.<sup>5</sup> Junior vice commander in chief.<sup>7</sup> Past commander in chief.

## OKLAHOMA (44)

(Organized August 7, 1890. Membership, December 31, 1947, 3. Posts, 0. Department of Indian Territory merged with Oklahoma at joint encampment held at Guthrie, May 19-22, 1908)

*Department commander* ----- MOSES RATLEDGE, Enid.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

C. M. Barnes, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	George W. Billings, <sup>2</sup> 1914 (died in office).
G. M. Coulton, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	George W. Fletcher, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
D. F. Wyatt, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	A. A. Beasler, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
T. H. Soward, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Albert Reeves, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
J. P. Cummings, <sup>2</sup> 1894 (see California and Nevada).	J. C. White, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
H. G. Trosper, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	F. E. Hills, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
W. H. Cater, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	F. M. Cline, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
C. R. Young, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	W. S. Tilton, <sup>2</sup> 1920 (see California and Nevada).
G. D. Munger, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Jacob Amberg, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
J. J. S. Hassler, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	W. F. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
I. W. Rush, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	J. J. Lyons, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
M. L. Mock, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	J. W. Garner, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
James E. Burns, <sup>2</sup> 1901 (see California and Nevada).	J. H. Norton, <sup>2</sup> 1925 (died in office).
Wesley Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	J. H. Luman, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
Cyrus P. Green, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	R. D. McGinley, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
S. P. Strahan, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	W. T. Deupree, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
G. M. Parks, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	R. L. Johnson, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
Peter A. Becker, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	A. W. Lee, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
W. H. Hornaday, <sup>2</sup> 1907 (see California and Nevada).	J. W. Bridges, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
H. Veatch, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	A. C. Sims, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
William Higgins, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	L. C. Coffin, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
B. N. Turk, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	A. C. Sims, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
Wilberforce Jones, <sup>2</sup> 1911.	J. W. Garner, <sup>2</sup> 1934.
W. R. Kelley, <sup>2</sup> 1912.	N. D. McGinley, <sup>2</sup> 1935-37 (died in office).
L. C. Coffin, <sup>2</sup> Elgin, 1913.	Aaron Fagin, <sup>2</sup> 1937 (died in office).
	S. Patterson, <sup>2</sup> Tonkawa, 1938-46.
	Moses Ratledge, <sup>2</sup> 1947 (died in office).

## FROM DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN TERRITORY BY MERGER, MAY 19-22, 1908

E. Calkins, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Gideon S. White, <sup>2</sup> 1899.
B. F. Harris, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	John S. Hammer, <sup>2</sup> 1900-02.
J. H. Spann, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	J. A. Rose, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
Savelon Boyles, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Robert Ross, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
J. L. Thomas, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Samuel H. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
William H. Harrison, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	J. F. Ayers, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
R. M. J. Shriner, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	A. G. Krutchmer, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
David Redfield, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	
D. W. Eastman, <sup>2</sup> 1898, transferred from Kansas.	
John C. Gipson, <sup>2</sup> 1902, transferred from North Dakota (see California and Nevada).	

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

## OREGON (26)

(Organized September 28, 1882. Membership, December 31, 1947, 1. Posts, 1)

Department commander----- T. A. PENLAND,<sup>1</sup><sup>5</sup> Portland.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

N. S. Pierce, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	S. W. Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
G. E. Caulkin, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	H. S. Fargo, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
F. J. Babcock, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	George A. Harding, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
F. H. Lamb, <sup>2</sup> 1885-86.	Joseph E. Hall, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
M. L. Olmstead, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	J. G. Chambers, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
A. E. Borthwick, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Tillman H. Stevens, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
E. B. McElroy, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	Daniel Webster, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
James A. Varney, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	J. T. Butler, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
Owen Summers, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	C. A. Williams, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
H. H. Northrup, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	D. L. McKay, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
J. C. Cooper, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	George R. Castner, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
S. B. Ormsby, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Henry E. Dosch, <sup>2</sup> 1924 (died in office).
E. W. Allen, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	J. L. Crow, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
D. C. Sherman, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	J. F. Nelson, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
Frank Reisner, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	William Clemens, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
C. P. Holloway, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	H. S. Lillagar, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
H. V. Gates, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	William Clemens, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
A. J. Goodbrod, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	L. C. Washburn, <sup>2</sup> 1929 (died in office).
J. A. Sladen, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	Charles True, <sup>2</sup> 1929 (died in office).
M. L. Pratt, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	Gideon Stolz, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
David H. Turner, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	Wm. M. Colvig, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
B. F. Pike, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	Charles M. Eichler, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
T. E. Hills, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	J. W. Jones, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
Hamer Sutcliffe, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	H. V. Gates, <sup>2</sup> 1933-34 (died in office).
S. F. Blythe, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	J. W. Ridge, <sup>2</sup> 1935.
J. T. Apperson, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	John C. Thomson, <sup>2</sup> 1936 (died in office).
James P. Shaw, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	Z. T. Bryant, <sup>2</sup> 1937 (died in office).
W. J. R. Beach, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	Henry Hopkins, <sup>2</sup> 1937.
Newton Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1911.	T. A. Penland, <sup>5</sup> Portland, 1937-47.
Thomas B. McDevitt, <sup>2</sup> 1912.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>5</sup> Senior vice commander in chief.

## WASHINGTON AND ALASKA (30)

(Organized June 20, 1883. Membership, December 31, 1947, 2. Posts, 2)

*Department commander----- HIRAM R. GALE,<sup>4</sup> Seattle.*

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

F. W. Sparling, <sup>2</sup> provisional, 1878-82.	R. R. Harding, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
George D. Hill, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	J. E. Stewart, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
H. A. Morrow, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	H. R. Gale, <sup>4</sup> Seattle, 1914.
A. M. Brooks, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	H. W. North, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
C. M. Holton, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	J. E. Gandy, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
A. P. Curry, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	John J. See, <sup>2</sup> 1917 (see California and Nevada).
J. W. Sprague, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	S. F. Street, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
C. S. Cosgrove, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	A. A. Stevens, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
M. M. Holmes, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	O. D. McDonald, <sup>2</sup> 1920 (see California and Nevada).
D. G. Lovell, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	J. H. Coffman, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
J. Sox Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Enoch Sears, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
J. F. Sinclair, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	W. P. Cragin, <sup>2</sup> 1923 (died in office).
J. N. Scott, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	John A. Harris, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
Norman Buck, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	A. P. Lawrence, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
C. T. Patterson, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	William J. Baker, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
J. F. McLean, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	J. H. Shaw, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
George W. Tibbetts, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Byron Phelps, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
J. W. Langley, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Henry P. Burdick, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
B. R. Freeman, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Willis Richardson, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
H. A. Bigelow, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	W. W. Work, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
B. C. Bedell, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	R. W. Black, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
T. H. Cavanaugh, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	T. F. Coley, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
F. M. Davis, <sup>2</sup> 1904 (see California and Nevada).	Rustan O. Reed, <sup>2</sup> 1933-34.
J. T. Goss, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	D. L. Crossen, <sup>2</sup> 1935.
C. B. Dunning, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	George L. Foster, <sup>2</sup> 1936.
W. H. Mock, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	L. A. Wilcox, <sup>5</sup> Cadott, Wis., 1937.
George H. Boardman, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	Rustan O. Reed, <sup>2</sup> 1938-41 (died in office).
Lyman Banks, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	S. B. Tift, <sup>2</sup> Everett, 1942.
W. H. Wiscombe, <sup>2</sup> 1910 (see California and Nevada).	Hiram R. Gale, <sup>4</sup> Seattle, 1943-47.
F. H. Hurd, <sup>2</sup> 1911.	
John E. Phelps, <sup>2</sup> 1889, transferred from Missouri.	
E. A. Shores, <sup>2</sup> 1893, transferred from Wisconsin.	

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>4</sup> Past commander in chief.<sup>5</sup> Transferred to Wisconsin.

## WISCONSIN (2)

(Organized June 7, 1866. Membership, December 31, 1947, 1. Posts, 0)

*Department commander* ----- L. A. Wilcox, Cadott.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

James K. Proudfit, <sup>2</sup> 1866.	John C. Martin, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
H. A. Starr, <sup>2</sup> 1867.	E. D. Coe, <sup>2</sup> 1908 (died in office).
J. M. Rusk, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	R. B. Lang, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
T. S. Allen, <sup>2</sup> 1869-70.	William H. Grinnell, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Edward Ferguson, <sup>2</sup> 1871-72.	Frank A. Walsh, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
A. J. McCoy, <sup>2</sup> 1873.	Hiram J. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
G. A. Hanaford, <sup>2</sup> 1874-75.	George W. Spratt, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
John Hancock, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	Charles H. Henry, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
H. G. Rogers, <sup>2</sup> 1877.	Samuel A. Cook, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
F. S. Hammond, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	W. J. McKay, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Griff J. Thomas, <sup>2</sup> 1879-81 (see Nebraska).	O. L. Rosenkrans, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
H. M. Enos, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	W. A. Wyse, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
Philip Cheek, <sup>2</sup> 1883-84.	George D. Breed, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
James Davidson, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Robert R. Campbell, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
Lucius Fairchild, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Walter O. Pietsch, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
H. P. Fisher, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	M. L. Snyder, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
Michael Griffin, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	James F. Carle, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
A. G. Weissert, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Alfred S. Eaton, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
L. Ferguson, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	George W. Morton, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
Benjamin F. Bryant, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Henry Hase, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
W. H. Upham, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Henry Stannard, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
C. B. Welton, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Henry C. Eaton, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
E. A. Shores, <sup>2</sup> 1893 (see Washington and Alaska).	G. H. Pounder, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
J. A. Watrous, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Lloyd D. Sampson, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
W. D. Hoard, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	John H. Hellweg, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
D. Lloyd Jones, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	W. H. Chesbrough, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
E. B. Gray, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	George L. Thomas, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
C. H. Russell, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Henry Held, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
Henry Harnden, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Thaddeus Sheerin, <sup>2</sup> 1934.
S. H. Talmadge, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Charles M. Hambright, <sup>2</sup> 1935.
David J. James, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Chas. F. Moulton, <sup>2</sup> 1936.
A. H. DeGroff, <sup>2</sup> 1901 (see California and Nevada).	W. P. Bryant, <sup>2</sup> 1937.
J. H. Agen, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	John Hart, <sup>2</sup> 1938.
J. P. Rungle, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	A. R. Kibbe, <sup>2</sup> 1939.
Pliny Norcross, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	B. Regli, <sup>2</sup> 1940.
F. A. Copeland, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	James F. Jones, <sup>2</sup> 1941.
John W. Ganes, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	John W. Miller, <sup>2</sup> 1942.
C. L. Hooker, Virginia, Minn., 1943.	
L. A. Wilcox, <sup>4</sup> <sup>6</sup> Cadott, 1944-47.	

Lansing A. Wilcox,<sup>6</sup> Cadott, transferred from Washington and Alaska.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.<sup>6</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.

**COMMITTEES****EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION**

Robert M. Rownd, commander in chief, Ripley, N. Y.  
Theodore A. Penland, senior vice commander in chief, Portland, Oreg.  
John C. Adams, adjutant and quartermaster general, Jonesboro, Ind.  
John H. Grate, Atwater, Ohio.  
William H. Osborn, Joplin, Mo.  
Charles Chappel, Long Beach, Calif.

**COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS**

John C. Adams, adjutant and quartermaster general.  
Charles Chappel, California.  
James P. Martin, Iowa.

**COMMITTEE TO PREPARE RESOLUTION ON THE DEATH OF  
JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF JOHN R. BENNETT**

John H. Grate, past commander in chief.  
John C. Adams, adjutant and quartermaster general.  
William H. Osborn, national patriotic instructor.

*Departments in order of seniority, according to dates of permanent organization  
as heretofore announced*

No.	Department	Organized
1	Illinois	Apr. 6, 1866
2	Wisconsin	June 7, 1866
3	Pennsylvania <sup>3</sup>	Jan. 16, 1867
4	Ohio	Jan. 30, 1867
5	New York <sup>3</sup>	Apr. 3, 1867
6	Connecticut	Apr. 11, 1867
7	Massachusetts <sup>2</sup>	May 7, 1867
8	New Jersey <sup>2</sup>	Dec. 10, 1867
9	Maine <sup>2</sup>	Jan. 10, 1868
10	California and Nevada	Feb. 21, 1868
11	Rhode Island <sup>2</sup>	Mar. 24, 1868
12	New Hampshire <sup>2</sup>	June 30, 1868
13	Vermont <sup>2</sup>	Oct. 23, 1868
14	Potomac, <sup>1</sup> provisional department, organized Aug. 6, 1867	Feb. 13, 1869
15	Virginia and North Carolina <sup>2</sup> As Department of Virginia; name changed to Virginia and North Carolina	July 27, 1871 May 20, 1892
16	Maryland, <sup>2</sup> organized Jan. 8, 1868; reorganized	June 9, 1876
17	Nebraska	June 11, 1877
18	Michigan, <sup>2</sup> organized May 6, 1868; reorganized	Jan. 22, 1879
19	Iowa, organized Sept. 26, 1866; reorganized	Jan. 23, 1879
20	Indiana, organized Aug. 20, 1866; reorganized	Oct. 3, 1879
21	Colorado and Wyoming As Department of the Mountains; name changed to Colorado and Wyoming	Dec. 11, 1879 Aug. 28, 1889
22	Kansas, organized Dec. 7, 1867; reorganized	Mar. 16, 1880
23	Delaware <sup>2</sup>	Jan. 14, 1881
24	Minnesota <sup>3</sup> organized Aug. 4, 1867; reorganized	Aug. 17, 1881
25	Missouri, organized May 16, 1867; reorganized	Apr. 22, 1882
26	Oregon	Sept. 28, 1882
27	Kentucky	Jan. 16, 1883
28	West Virginia, <sup>2</sup> organized Apr. 9, 1868; reorganized	Feb. 20, 1883
29	South Dakota <sup>2</sup> As Department of Dakota; name changed to South Dakota	Feb. 27, 1883 Apr. 11, 1890
30	Washington and Alaska	June 20, 1883
31	Arkansas <sup>2</sup>	July 11, 1883
32	New Mexico <sup>2</sup>	July 14, 1883
33	Utah <sup>2</sup>	Oct. 9, 1883
34	Tennessee <sup>2</sup>	Feb. 26, 1884
35	Louisiana and Mississippi <sup>2</sup> As Department of the Gulf; name changed to Louisiana and Mississippi	May 15, 1884 June 13, 1888
36	Florida <sup>2</sup>	June 19, 1884
37	Montana <sup>2</sup>	Mar. 10, 1885
38	Texas <sup>2</sup>	Mar. 25, 1885
39	Idaho <sup>3</sup>	Jan. 11, 1888
40	Arizona <sup>2</sup>	Jan. 17, 1888
41	Georgia and South Carolina <sup>1</sup>	Jan. 25, 1889
42	Alabama <sup>2</sup>	Mar. 12, 1889
43	North Dakota <sup>2</sup>	Apr. 23, 1890
44	Oklahoma As Department of Oklahoma and Indian Territory; name changed to Oklahoma	Apr. 7, 1890 July 3, 1891
45	Indian Territory Consolidated with and merged into the Department of Oklahoma, May 19–22, 1908.	July 3, 1891

<sup>1</sup> Charter surrendered.

<sup>2</sup> Closed by death of all members.

<sup>3</sup> Closed—members transferred to members at large.







LEFT TO RIGHT: CHARLES L. CHAPPEL, 102; WILLIAM H. OSBORN, 105; JOHN H. GRATE, 103; THEODORE A. PENLAND, 99;  
ALBERT WOOLSON, 102; JAMES A. HARD, 107.

## **ATTENDANCE AT NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT**

California : Charles L. Chappel, Long Beach, aged 102.

Minnesota : Albert Woolson, Duluth, aged 102.

Missouri : William H. Osborn, Joplin, aged 105.

New York : James A. Hard, Rochester, aged 107.

Ohio : John H. Grate, Atwater, aged 103.

Oregon : Theodore A. Penland, Portland, aged 99.



**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE ENCAMPMENT**

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## THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE EIGHTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, AT GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., SEPTEMBER 26 TO 29, 1948

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The Eighty-second National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic convened in room 952, Pantlind Hotel, Grand Rapids, Mich., at 10:24 a. m., on Wednesday, September 28, 1948, Senior Vice Commander in Chief Theodore A. Penland, of Portland, Oreg. (in the absence of Commander in Chief Robert M. Rownd, detained at home by illness), presiding.

(Presentation of colors to Comrade James A. Hard, of Rochester, N. Y., by Philip J. Migliore, Commander of Yerkes-Couchman Post, the American Legion, Rochester, N. Y., and Bruce Percy, immediate past commander of Monroe County, N. Y., the American Legion.)

Miss CORA E. GILLIS (secretary of the Grand Army of the Republic). We are ready to start our meeting. You have some greetings committees waiting to come in. We have already received two boxes of candy for the Grand Army men, one from the national organization of the Auxiliary to the United Spanish War Veterans and the other from the Department of Michigan, Auxiliary to the United Spanish War Veterans. We will open those boxes of candy later and then you can all have some. They thought you would rather have candy than cigars.

We will dispense with having a prayer this morning, as long as we have these greetings committees here and just let them come in.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. We will all come to order now and proceed with these greetings as soon as our secretary comes back.

Present at the encampment: Senior Vice Commander in Chief Theodore A. Penland, 99; Chaplain in Chief John H. Grate, 103; National Patriotic Instructor William H. Osborn, 105; Comrade James A. Hard, New York (at large), 107; Comrade Albert Woolson, Minnesota (at large), 102; Comrade Charles L. Chappel, California and Nevada, 102.

(A committee composed of Mrs. Anna Johnson and Mrs. Anna Weaver, from Custer Auxiliary 3240, Veterans of Foreign Wars, was then admitted.)

Mrs. JOHNSON. Comrade Commander and Comrades, we were glad and happy to think that you would choose Grand Rapids for your eighty-second national encampment, and we extend these greetings from Custer Auxiliary No. 3240 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. We hope your stay with us will be pleasant and one long to be remembered. These are our greetings [presenting flowers].

Miss GILLIS. I would say "thanks" for the comrades for bringing these flowers.

Mrs. JOHNSON. We are glad you are here. [The two ladies shake hands with the comrades, talk with them personally, and then retire.]

Mr. WALTER H. BROOKS (judge advocate, United Spanish War Veterans). Greetings from the United Spanish War Veterans of the State of Michigan, the department; and I want to say that my father was a veteran of the Civil War and he would be 105 years old, had he lived, today. He went from New York. He was a graduate from West Point.

Comrade OSBORN. I am 105, but I am glad I am here.

Miss GILLIS. I have some greetings. I have a telegram here from Past Commander in Chief John S. Dumser:

*My dear Commander and all convened with you at our eighty-second national encampment:*

Regretting my inability to be present in person, am with you in spirit extending loving greetings and praying blessings on you all.

Yours in comradeship,

JOHN S. DUMSER,  
*Past Commander in Chief.*

Then I have one from Detroit:

We salute you surviving members of the great G. A. R. organization. The American Legion, Department of Michigan, wishes you a successful convention and all blessings.

ROBERT G. MATHIESON,  
*Department Commander.*

Then from Decatur, Ill.:

Greetings. Wish you health and success in every way.

C. E. PENNINGTON,  
*Commander Camp 4,*  
*Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.*

Here is one from Portland, Oreg.:

Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, THEODORE PENLAND, *Grand Rapids, Mich.:*

Heartiest congratulations from all the Department officers of Oregon. Every member of our beloved order of the Woman's Relief Corps are very happy and proud of you. God bless you and give you strength to carry on is our prayer.

ELIZABETH OLSEN,  
*Department Secretary.*

I have a letter of greetings from McMinnville, Oreg.:

In respect to Old Glory and in memory of the boys in blue, we, the members of Custer Woman's Relief Corps No. 5 of McMinnville, Oreg., pledge our loyal support to Comrade Theodore A. Penland for commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic for the coming term.

Signed by Frances Koop, corps president, Mable Garrison, corps secretary, and a number of other members of the corps.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

Miss GILLIS (reading) :

The committee on credentials met and reported six departments represented, with three officers present, a total of six comrades.

CHARLES L. CHAPPEL, *Chairman.*

We have had the books audited by the daughter of Past Commander in Chief Nixon, Miss Irma Nixon, who audits our books every year. She audited the books yesterday and found everything in good condition, and the regular formal report will appear in the journal.

(The report is as follows:)

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., September 27, 1949.

We have carefully examined the receipts and vouchers for expenses, and compared the footings of the books as kept by the secretary of the quartermaster general with the above records, and find them to be correct.

We recommend the report very highly.

AUDITING COMMITTEE,

JOHN H. GRATE,

IRMA L. NIXON,

*Secretary to the Auditing Committee.*

Miss GILLIS. Miss Nixon has done this for a great many years for us. I know the Grand Army appreciates her good work; also the work of the young lady who has taken care of the books all these years [Mrs. Irene Compton].

This is a resolution on the death of Junior Vice Commander in Chief John R. Bennett.

(The resolution will be found at p. 85 of this journal.)

Past Commander in Chief GRATE. I move that the resolution be printed in the journal. [Motion seconded by Comrade Osborn.]

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. It has been moved and seconded that the resolution on the death of John R. Bennett be printed in the journal. All in favor say "Aye." I declare the motion carried.

Miss GILLIS. Mrs. Lillian Gardiner, department secretary of the Grand Army, California and Nevada, wants to bring her greetings.

Mrs. GARDINER. At this time we have the pleasure of having one of our own comrades with us. But we still have five comrades in California; and, although Comrade Chappel could come, the rest could not.

Comrade Dumser wanted us to be sure and remember him at the convention. He sent a telegram. He is not ill, but he is not strong enough to get out and get around. He just kind of has to stay at home and be a good boy. So he is at home, and he is thinking about us. Miss Gillis sent his badge early, so I know he is wearing it this week and enjoying it. I sent the badges for the other comrades out to them so they will have them before the week is over.

And from every one of them they wish for each and every one of you much happiness and a very pleasant convention, and they are sorry they could not be here.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. Thank you.

Miss GILLIS. We are waiting for more greetings committees before we do anything more.

Mr. JAMES M. BLACKMAN (secretary of the Department of Illinois and officer of the day at the encampment). I can give the greetings from the Grand Army, Department of Illinois. I am a Son of a Veteran. We have two comrades there. Comrade Ambrose is in the hospital, and Comrade Fablinger cannot leave the house on account of being blind. I want to bring the greetings to you from Illinois. I am the department secretary.

Miss GILLIS. I have given all of you copies of the officers' reports. You can read those after you get home. We won't take the time to read them here, because so many of you could not hear if I read them to you. I gave you all copies when you first came.

(The address of the commander in chief follows:)

#### ADDRESS OF THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF

When you once more elected me to the highest office within your power at the eighty-first encampment held in Cleveland, Ohio, in August of 1947, you showed to me the confidence you had in my ability to carry on the work of our beloved organization. I have been unable to do the things I had planned for this year because of ill health, but I have kept in touch with all of you through our secretary, and through your letters and general orders.

I was able to attend a meeting of the Woman's Relief Corps in North East, Pa., last fall, and enjoyed this very much. On May 30 I attended the joint service held by the churches of Ripley, N. Y., in our high school, and on Monday, May 31, was present at the Memorial Day exercises in the local cemeteries.

The night before I was to have left for our New York Department encampment in Rochester, N. Y., I was stricken; and since then have been confined to my bed. I regretted this illness very much, as I was very anxious to be present at the closing ceremonies of New York Department, but this was not to be. The city of Rochester was very kind and prepared a very fine pageant of Civil War days, and with the closing of the book of records of the Rochester Post, New York Department went out in a blaze of glory.

#### LEGISLATION

In January of this year, our secretary went to Washington, D. C., and contacted Congressman Bartel Jonkman of Michigan, and on that day a bill was introduced in the House giving permission for the United States Marine Band to once again come and be a part of our national encampment. This bill was passed very early in the year and signed by the President. This assures us of once more listening to the splendid music of this wonderful band under the leadership of Maj. William F. Santelmann.

#### MEMBERSHIP

Once more the grim reaper of Death has entered our ranks, taking on July 31, our junior vice commander in chief, John R. Bennett, of Waynesfield, Ohio. Comrade Bennett was able to attend his own department encampment in June at Columbus, Ohio, although not too well at that time. His death came after an illness of about 3 weeks. The report of the adjutant will show the losses during the past year, and the closing of Maine, Michigan, and New York Departments. The two remaining members of the New York Department will be enrolled as members at large under the national organization.

#### FINANCES

Our allied organizations were generous as usual at the last national encampment, and because of this we have been able to carry on this year and have a substantial sum left in our treasury. To our Auxiliary and allied organizations may I express the appreciation of our entire membership. May your future be crowned with the success you so richly deserve.

To Mrs. Zola Miller Donahue, may we express our heartfelt thanks for her work in handling the Southern Memorial fund and the decorating of the national cemeteries in the South. In many instances our wreath and ceremony were the only observances held in the South, also in London, England, and Mexico. May we also express to the National Woman's Relief Corps and the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War our sincere appreciation for supplying the money to carry on this work. We hope that you will continue to work together on this observance as long as your organizations shall exist.

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Once more may I express my deep appreciation to all who have so kindly remembered me this year with their cards, gifts, and messages of love and sympathy. Your cooperation this year is deeply appreciated.

To our secretary, our sincere thanks for your efforts. We appreciate very much the work you are doing for our organization.

As my year draws to a close, it is with a sense of regret that I have been unable to attend the many encampments, banquets, and other social affairs held this year for my coworkers. I appreciate all that you have done to further your organizations, and may your year end with the feeling that it has been worth while.

To my comrades, may the closing years of your lives be years of happiness and may we all look forward to the time when we will all be united once more with our loved ones and friends.

ROBERT M. ROWND,  
*Commander in Chief.*

Miss GILLIS. I have the following resolution of appreciation [reading]:

Whereas we are meeting in Grand Rapids for the fourth time, in our thirty-second national encampment: Therefore be it

*Resolved*, That we extend our sincere thanks to the State of Michigan, the city of Grand Rapids, the Grand Rapids Convention Bureau, Mr. Frank Whitwam, the Hotel Pantlind, and the press of the city for many courtesies extended to us and for the fine arrangements made for us; and be it further

*Resolved*, That we express our deep appreciation to Congressman Bartel Jonkman for introducing the bill to bring the United States Marine Band to our encampment; and be it further

*Resolved*, That we extend our sincere thanks to Senator Perry Greene for his efforts to make our encampment a success; and be it further

*Resolved*, That we once again extend our thanks to the President of the United States and the Members of Congress for permitting the United States Marine Band to be with us, and to Major Santelmann and his boys for the inspiring music which we have all enjoyed so much.

May we also extend our appreciation to Col. Lewis Donovan and all who assisted in making our parade the success it was.

Our thanks are also given to the First Congregational Church for the invitation to attend services at their church on the morning of September 26.

*Resolved*, That a copy of this resolution be spread upon our minutes and become a part of our permanent records.

THEODORE A. PENLAND, *Oregon.*  
CHARLES L. CHAPPEL, *California.*  
ALBERT WOOLSON, *Member at Large.*

Past Commander in Chief GRATE. I make a motion that this be placed in our journal. [Motion seconded by Comrade Hard.]

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. A motion has been made by Comrade Grate and seconded by Comrade Hard that this resolution of thanks be placed in our journal. All in favor say "Aye." The motion is carried.

Miss GILLIS. We have a resolution suspending your rules so that we can make some changes in the rules and regulations. We have to change some things here this year. The time has come when it seems necessary to arrange for your secretary to sign the checks, because it is very hard to find men who can see to sign those checks for us. So we have this resolution that we must pass first [reading]:

That the requirements as provided by article 16 of the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic as to alterations and amendments requiring a two-thirds vote of the members present at a regular annual meeting be suspended for the time being at this annual meeting of the national encampment.

Do you approve of that?

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. Yes, I do. The motion has been made by Comrade Grate that it be adopted. All in favor of this motion signify it by saying "Aye." Contrary? Carried.

Miss GILLIS: This changing of the signing of checks would simply mean that your money would still be in the bank in your name, the name of the Grand Army of the Republic, and that your secretary would sign the checks instead of having to send them to the commander and the quartermaster general. That has been done in the departments for a great many years in many places. It is getting hard now to get men who can see to sign the checks. So we have this resolution to change your rules so that the secretary, whoever the secretary is—if something would happen to me you would have another secretary—but so that the secretary could sign those checks. The money is still in the name of the Grand Army of the Republic—no chance for any crooked work.

(The following resolution was then individually explained to the comrades by the secretary, on account of their inability to hear otherwise:)

Whereas it is provided in the charter granted the Grand Army of the Republic, enacted by the Sixty-eighth Congress of the United States, that the corporate existence of said organization shall terminate only when the last of its members dies, with certain provisions as to the holding of future national encampments, on account of decrease in the membership; and

Whereas it is not deemed advisable or practicable to hold but one more national encampment to be held in the year 1949 at such place as may be designated by said national encampment or the executive committee thereof; and

Whereas such action shall not operate to deprive said organization of any of its corporate powers; and

Whereas it was further provided in said charter that the government of said organization may be modified for such a contingency so long as it complied with the restrictions of section 3 of said act; and

Whereas chapter 4, article 6, section 4, of the rules and regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic provides that the quartermaster general shall hold the funds, securities, and vouchers of the national encampment; and

Whereas chapter 4, article 10, of said rules and regulations provides the method of disbursements from the treasury of the national encampment of said funds; and

Whereas there has now arisen a contingency and emergency that requires the modification of said rules and regulations as to disbursement of funds on account of the age and incapacity of the officers of said national encampment: Therefore be it

*Resolved by this national encampment now in session,* That deposits of funds, securities, and other vouchers be deposited in some national bank of good stand-

ing in the name of the Grand Army of the Republic and that checks may be drawn on proper vouchers by the national secretary of said Grand Army of the Republic for disbursements from the treasury of said corporation, and that all chapters, articles, and sections of the rules and regulations of said Grand Army of the Republic inconsistent herewith are here and now repealed and eliminated.

(Motion made by Comrade Grate, seconded by Comrade Osborn.)

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. All in favor of that motion signify it by saying "aye." Contrary? Carried.

The following amendments to the rules and regulations were then, upon motion, duly adopted by the encampment:)

That chapter V, article X, of the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic be amended by adding after the name commander in chief in the last paragraph "and, or, the national secretary of the Grand Army of the Republic acting in their behalf."

That chapter IV, article VI, section IV of the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, be amended by adding after the name Quartermaster General "or National Secretary."

That chapter V, article VII, section III, of the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic be amended by adding after the numeral IV, "and the national secretary shall give bonds for the faithful performance of her duties as may be required to cover the amount of funds deposited to the credit of the Grand Army of the Republic in her charge."

Miss GILLIS. We are going to stop for a few minutes and have some greetings. A greetings committee from the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War [Mrs. Ann Lockyer and Mrs. Clara Gallagher.]

Mrs. LOCKYER. I bring to each of you the best wishes of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Veterans for good health and happiness and many years to be with us in the national department.

Past Commander in Chief GRATE. That is fine. I thank you very kindly.

Mrs. LOCKYER. We just hope next year we can have as many comrades with us as we have this year.

Past Commander in Chief GRATE. I hope so.

Mrs. LOCKYER. It means an awful lot to us to have you boys with us. There is quite a delegation of the Sons, I think five of the Sons out there waiting to come in to see you. We are not going to take much of your time because we don't want to tire you out. So we will just extend you the greetings.

Mrs. GALLAGHER. I do want to shake hands with each of you.

Mrs. LOCKYER. I have a little gift, Cora, from our national president. Katharine sent her greetings and asked me to present this to you.

Miss GILLIS. Thank you, Ann. Will you take back to Katharine my thanks, love, and best wishes for a wonderful convention. I could not go to the reception last night because I was suffering with a very bad cold.

(The committee retired, and a committee from the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War composed of Past Commanders in Chief Neil D. Cranmer, Ralph R. Barrett, Henry Towle, and Urion W. Mackey, and Mr. Andrew Burns was admitted.)

Mr. CRANMER. This is a greetings committee from the Sons of Union Veterans. Our past commander, Dr. Ralph R. Barrett, of California, will be our spokesman, so I think he better sit in this chair.

Dr. BARRETT. Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, it sure is an opportunity of our lifetime as men to come here

and greet you men, survivors of Civil War days, on down through the years. We who are Sons of Union Veterans, some of us can look back to the days not so very long after the Civil War. We were born after our fathers came home from that war, and so we have had a contact through the eighty some years since that war and had the inspiration in our daily living, whether we were in communities, towns, or in the countryside.

Much has been the thought that came to us as to the ability of that great army which became the Grand Army of the Republic in saving the Union, as we were taught, the United States of America, and the important part that this country has been able to play in the affairs of the world. So you of this Eighty-second Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, have our full appreciation, and down deep in our hearts and our memories are those pleasant days and associations that have meant so much to us.

May God bless you and keep you, and may these days that you have spent here together, may they be repeated. It is a comfort I am sure to each one of you to have this privilege of coming here together and sitting about here, thinking, perhaps, some of the days that have gone, and wishing and hoping and praying that those who live in this country today be men and women, of whatever race or creed, who realize that the United States of America is a contributing member in world affairs.

And so we thank you, daddies, that we have had this opportunity to come here as sons of Union soldiers. Thank you.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. We appreciate your coming. We sure do. I am a son of a veteran also.

Dr. BARRETT. Can you give us just a word? We would enjoy to hear it.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. Well, we all appreciate the Sons coming to visit us. It cheers us up. It keeps our memory fresher, and we hope that we will see you again quite often. Thank you, comrades.

(After shaking hands with the comrades, the committee retired.)

(A committee from the Missouri Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, composed of Mrs. Ella Easton, department president; Mrs. Flora E. Angell, past department president; and Mrs. Dovie Harper, department secretary; was then admitted.)

Mrs. EASTON. We bring you greetings from Missouri.

(Each member of the committee shook hands with the comrades and greeted them personally.)

Miss GILLIS. Now this resolution is what we talked about the other day, about making next year your final encampment, and this is to change the rules and regulations so that it will read:

that the final meeting shall be held in the year 1949, on account of the age and infirmities and decrease of the few remaining members of the Grand Army of the Republic—

and we want to pass this if you want to. This is what we talked about the other day about making next year the final encampment. I will tell all the men what it is so they will be sure to know what they are voting on [explaining to each comrade personally in a loud voice the substance of the resolution].

Comrade OSBORN. I move the adoption. [Motion seconded by Comrade Hard.]

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. All in favor of the motion say "aye." The motion carried.

(Following is the complete resolution thus adopted :)

That the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic be amended as to chapter IV, article III, section I, by adding after the word "meeting" in the last line thereof "with the understanding that the final meeting shall be held in the year 1949, on account of the age and infirmities and decrease of the few remaining members of the Grand Army of the Republic."

Miss GILLIS. Last year you authorized me to go to Washington to see if I could find a place where your flags and your banner and all of your property could be placed when you were through with it. The Congressional Library will take all the books we want to give them, and the Smithsonian Institution will take your flags, and I have a new set of officers' badges to put in with them. Mr. Davison will give us the dies from which all these badges have been made in all of these years to be placed in the Smithsonian Institution, and I believe Mr. Davison is going to give me his father's uniform and sword. The Smithsonian Institution wanted a Grand Army sword to go into the case with these other things.

I am just simply reporting back that I have made these arrangements in Washington, D. C., for your property when you are through with it. It won't be placed there until after everything is finished.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. They are going to remain there?

Miss GILLIS. They are going to remain in Washington indefinitely. It is a gift to the Smithsonian Institution, and of course to the Congressional Library of the books.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. Will it be so anybody can go and see them?

Miss GILLIS. Yes; they will be on display where they have their display. They have a marvelous display of Grand Army things down there—uniforms and badges and things. Then you will know that all of your property will be taken care of after you have closed your organization.

Past Commander in Chief GRATE. What will be done with all these big trunks that you carried around?

Miss GILLIS. I only have one trunk and that is all worn out inside. I got a small one before I came over here. That is all right to use next year. The other one I think had been used for a great many years. It has been shipped around so much it just isn't any good at all. Of course trunks don't amount to anything. What we are more interested in is to have your flags and your banners and your badges and things of that kind in a place where they will stay forever, and we have made this arrangement now in Washington.

Do you want to make a motion that this report of the secretary be approved about the placing of these things in Washington, just to have it legally taken care of?

Past Commander in Chief GRATE. I make a motion that this report of our secretary be accepted.

Comrade OSBORN. We must bear in mind that we must stay near the center of the United States for our next meeting, and I am strictly in favor of Indianapolis. That is central.

Miss GILLIS. How would you like to go down to Springfield, Ill.?

Comrade OSBORN. I would favor that. I would make it Springfield or Indianapolis. I am in favor of Indianapolis.

Miss GILLIS. We will vote on that later. I am waiting for a man to come in with a personal invitation from Springfield, Ill. I have an invitation from Indianapolis now. I have one from Buffalo, N. Y., one from Columbus, Ohio.

Comrade OSBORN. It is too far from the center. I say stick to the center.

(At 11:40 a. m. a recess was taken until 1:30 p. m.)

(Just at this time the greetings committee from the Daughters of Union Veterans arrived, Mrs. Doris I. Merryman, past national president, as chairman, who extended greetings to the comrades and presented each one with an envelope containing a dollar bill as a love gift from their daughters.)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1948

Afternoon Session, 1:33 p. m.

Miss GILLIS. Do you think we better have these invitations for next year now and settle what you want to do on that?

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. Yes; I think we better.

Miss GILLIS. I have some invitations we cannot consider at all, but just to get them on the record I am going to tell you who they are.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. No use thinking about going west.

Miss GILLIS. You can see these men are not able to travel, and there is no one out there can go only you.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. No chance to do anything about it.

Miss GILLIS. I just want to get these other invitations on the record. I think the sooner you make your choice the better it will be. Let me tell you where they are. I have an invitation from Santa Barbara, Calif.; one from San Diego; one from Miami Beach, Fla. Of course those places are too far away for you men to consider. We have one from Columbus, Ohio; one from Buffalo, N. Y. They would give us a thousand rooms in their hotels if we could go there. Then we have one from Indianapolis, and we have one from Springfield, Ill.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. They are both pretty centrally located.

Miss GILLIS. You were organized in the State of Illinois and you held your first encampment in Indianapolis. I am not going to try to influence you in any way. I want you to go where you want to go.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. Indiana is my State.

Comrade OSBORN. Springfield and Indianapolis are the most centrally located of any of them, and each of those States had a great war Governor: Dick Yates of Illinois and O. P. Morton of Indiana. They were two of the greatest Governors that Lincoln had behind him to win that war. I say Springfield or Indianapolis. They are central, both of them, and have the finest record on the pages of history.

Miss GILLIS. I will tell all the men where the invitations are from, and then we will vote on each one and we will go where the majority want to go.

(Miss Gillis then interviewed each of the comrades as to his preference between Springfield and Indianapolis.)

Comrade HARD. I think the secretary is very much out of order as there should be a motion on this question.

Miss GILLIS. I am simply trying to make the comrades understand what you are to vote on as not one of them can hear what is being said unless I go to each one individually and explain.

(For Springfield: Comrades Chappel and Woolson; for Indianapolis: Comrades Penland and Osborn; no choice: Comrade Grate; not voting: Comrade Hard.)

Miss GILLIS. You better decide how you want to handle this. There is no choice. Do you want to write your vote on a piece of paper which place you want to go, or does somebody want to make a motion for one place or the other?

Past Commander in Chief GRATE. I make a motion that we choose Indianapolis for our next meeting. [Seconded by Comrade Osborn.]

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. It is moved and seconded that our next meeting shall be held at Indianapolis, Ind. All in favor say "Aye." [Comrades Grate and Osborn.] [Comrade Hard voted "No," and Comrades Penland, Chappel, and Woolson not voting.]

All in favor of the motion of going to Indianapolis?

(The vote was—Aye, Comrades Grate, Osborn, and Chappel; no, Comrade Hard; not voting, Comrades Penland and Woolson.)

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. The ayes have got it.

Comrade HARD. I am in favor of going to Indianapolis but I would like to have the question put right and voted for it. This guesswork, I don't like it.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. It is settled now.

Miss GILLIS (to Comrade Chappel). Did you want to talk about this resolution you brought in about issuing a postage stamp sometime next year? Do you want to say something about that to the men?

Comrade CHAPPEL. I don't know as I have got anything to say further than I just presented it. I think it is very fine.

(Personal explanation by Miss Gillis to the comrades of the proposed resolution submitted by the Department of California and Nevada.)

Comrade HARD. I think that would be something very nice and appropriate if they would issue a postage stamp in honor of the Grand Army of the Republic. It would be a great honor to the people of the whole country. I would make a motion that the Government be asked. [Seconded by Comrade Grate.]

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. The motion has been made and seconded that this resolution be adopted. The motion was made by Comrade Hard and seconded by Comrade Grate. All in favor of the motion say "Aye." Contrary? The ayes have it. Carried.

(Following is the resolution thus adopted, altered from the original to meet the circumstances existing at the time of adoption :)

Whereas the Grand Army of the Republic now in session at Grand Rapids, Mich., is meeting in its next to the last national encampment; and

Whereas all living members have reached the remarkable age of over 100 years; and

Whereas this Grand Army of the Republic has given to the Nation five Presidents, a record of service and patriotism unequaled in history; be it

*Resolved.* That we earnestly request and humbly petition that the Post Office Department issue a postage stamp commemorating the Grand Army of the Republic and that this stamp be first offered to the public at Indianapolis, Ind., at the occasion of the final national encampment of our order.

Miss GILLIS. We are waiting for the greetings committee of the Relief Corps to come in, but they do not seem to come. They should have come this morning. I told them all to be here this morning. Do you want to go ahead with your election or do you want to wait?

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. I would just as soon wait a minute.

Miss GILLIS. Comrade Hard thinks you ought to go ahead with your election.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. We might just as well. Maybe they don't intend to come. I would like to have them come.

Comrade HARD. Commander, I move that we proceed to the election of officers and not wait for anything further outside. We might wait here till night. [Motion seconded by Past Commander in Chief Grate.]

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. All in favor say "Aye." I declare it carried.

Comrade CHAPPEL. You tell the boys I would like to have a place to carry back.

Miss GILLIS. We have to elect a commander first. Nominations are open right now.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. Nominations are in order for commander in chief now.

Comrade HARD. I would nominate Comrade Russell as our next commander.

Miss GILLIS. We haven't any Comrade Russell. You mean Comrade Penland?

Comrade HARD. Yes. I misspoke myself.

Past Commander in Chief GRATE. Are there any other nominations? We will take a vote on that.

Miss GILLIS. You vote by acclamation if there are no other nominations.

Past Commander in Chief GRATE. All those in favor of Comrade Penland as our next commander in chief say "Aye." I declare Comrade Penland elected as commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. Nominations for senior vice are now in order. Choose your man.

Past Commander in Chief GRATE. If nobody wants to be elected senior vice we will give the secretary a chance to choose one.

Miss GILLIS. No; I don't choose your officers. You choose them yourselves.

Past Commander in Chief GRATE. Let Penland choose one.

Comrade HARD. The commander can make a nomination if he sees fit.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. I don't know who wants it. I would nominate Comrade Grate as senior vice. Comrade Grate has been nominated as senior vice. All in favor say "Aye." I declare him elected.

Comrade HARD. Miss Gillis, you have a hard job.

Miss GILLIS. Yes; because these men cannot hear and I have to tell them everything that is said. Now nominations are in order for junior vice.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. Who wants that? Who will take it? I nominate Mr. Osborn for junior vice.

Miss GILLIS. Let Mr. Grate make that nomination because you are presiding. Mr. Penland wanted to nominate Comrade Osborn for junior vice, but I tell him he is presiding and he better let you make the nomination. Do you want to make it?

Past Commander in Chief GRATE. Yes. I nominate for junior vice, Mr. Osborn.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. We have nominated Comrade Osborn for junior vice commander in chief. All in favor say "Aye." He is elected. That is all of the elective ones, isn't it?

Miss GILLIS. Dr. Walter Anderson, son of our Past Commander in Chief Anderson, is out here. He would like to come in for a minute. He is the doctor that took care of all you fellows when you got sick down at Springfield, Ill., that time. This is his son from Detroit.

(Dr. Anderson was admitted, shook hands with the comrades and extended his greetings to them individually.)

(Recess taken to allow commander to consider appointive officers.)

(The following officers were then thus installed by Past Commander in Chief John H. Grate, with secretary reading the obligation for him: Commander in chief, Theodore A. Penland, Portland, Oreg.; senior vice commander in chief, John H. Grate, Atwater, Ohio; junior vice commander in chief, William H. Osborn, Joplin, Mo.; national patriotic instructor, Charles L. Chappel, Long Beach, Calif.; national chief of staff, Albert Woolson, Duluth, Minn.)

Past Commander in Chief GRATE. I declare these officers duly installed for the ensuing term of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Miss GILLIS. It is not just the way you used to do it, but it is the best we can do because the men cannot hear.

(The encampment then took a recess from 2:35 to 3 p. m., during which time a meeting of the national council of administration was held.)

Miss GILLIS. This is your greetings committee from the Woman's Relief Corps, composed of the national president and all past national presidents present.

(The committee was composed of National President Grayce L. Vedetta and Past National Presidents Marie L. Basham, Catherine McBride Hostet, Emma W. Campbell, Annie Poole Atwood, Mary J. Love, Ida Heacock Baker, Elizabeth Kothe, Grace H. Hahn, May Luchsinger, Louise Haider, Anna Anschutz, Laura I. Smith, Ellenore M. Zeller, and Alice F. Larson. Each member shook hands with the comrades and talked with them personally.)

(Mrs. Vedetta then presented to the secretary for the record the following report of National Woman's Relief Corps:)

We present to you our report of the various activities during the past year.

We have given for relief of members and others not related to soldiers-----	\$13, 212. 41
Sent flowers for deceased comrades and members to the amount---	\$28, 480. 90
Have assisted Civil War veterans, their families, and Army nurses--	\$3, 018. 16
Spanish and World War veterans and nurses-----	\$12, 593. 66
Have given to Soldiers' Home, soldiers' widows-----	\$2, 500. 00
Orphan homes to amount of-----	\$4, 267. 70
Given for Southern Memorial-----	\$350. 00
Americanization work, child welfare for schools in the South—war work-----	\$31, 754. 32
Besides relief other than money, valued-----	\$844, 696. 33
Total number of persons assisted-----	492, 354

Commander in Chief PENLAND. You girls were the first and I believe you will hang on to the last when all of us are gone. [Applause.]

Mrs. HOSTER. We will do our best.

Mrs. BASHAM. Good-by.

Comrade OSBORN. I make this motion, that we now adjourn our session until this time next year, with the hope and prayer that we may all be spared to come together again as a happy family. That is my wish. God bless you. I bid you good-by.

[Motion seconded by Comrade Chappel.]

Commander in Chief PENLAND. We will adjourn now, boys. You are free to go.

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS  
AND OF COMMITTEES**

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THEODORE A. PENLAND  
SENIOR VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

## REPORT OF SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF

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PORTLAND, OREG., August 16, 1948.

JOHN C. ADAMS,

*Adjutant and Quartermaster General,*

*Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: First, may I thank my comrades for holding over this office last year at the eighty-first national encampment and allowing me to continue as your senior vice commander in chief. I surely appreciated this very much, and regret that I was unable to be present last year. However, I am looking forward to greeting you all in the city of Grand Rapids, Mich., this year.

Early in the year I went to Tucson, Ariz., to visit my sons and their families, but found that the climate did not agree with me too well, so I journeyed to California where I spent some time with my granddaughter. While in California it was my privilege to attend many meetings of our allied orders and to participate in Memorial Day services. My granddaughter was very kind to me and took me to many places of interest, and made it possible for me to attend many affairs given by the veterans of all wars. On Memorial Day I attended the services at Fort Rosecrans and in the evening was interviewed on the radio.

I have kept in touch with members of the organization through letters from our secretary, and am looking forward to meeting all of you in Grand Rapids.

Sincerely yours in fraternity, charity, and loyalty,

THEODORE A. PENLAND,  
*Senior Vice Commander in Chief.*

## REPORT OF JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF

WAYNESFIELD, OHIO, July 10, 1948.

JOHN C. ADAMS,

*Adjutant and Quartermaster General,  
Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: It has been impossible for me to be very active this year, but I did enjoy the celebration of my one hundred and third birthday. In June I attended the Department Encampment of Ohio at Columbus, accompanied by my daughter. While not in very good health at that time I did enjoy the various meetings and the many nice things done for me by the members of our allied organizations.

The honor given me by my comrades was surely appreciated.

Yours in fraternity, charity, and loyalty,

JOHN R. BENNETT,  
*Junior Vice Commander in Chief.*

(Junior Vice Commander in Chief John R. Bennett passed away at his home on July 31, 1948.)



JOHN R. BENNETT  
JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF



JOHN H. GRATE  
CHAPLAIN IN CHIEF

## REPORT OF CHAPLAIN IN CHIEF

ATWATER, OHIO, August 16, 1948.

JOHN C. ADAMS,

*Adjutant and Quartermaster General,*

*Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: May I express my appreciation of the office given to me at Cleveland, Ohio. I have endeavored to fill this office with the dignity it deserves.

I have attended the post meetings regularly and when unable to go to Alliance for same the meetings have been held in my home. I attended the reception for department officers of the Grand Army of the Republic and allied organizations given by our Alliance organizations and thoroughly enjoyed meeting old friends. During the winter months it was impossible for me to get out but when the warmer weather arrived I was kept busy attending various banquets and other affairs. I attended the memorial services on Sunday, May 30, also on Memorial Day.

In June, accompanied by my son, Clarence Eno, I attended the department encampment at Columbus, Ohio, and enjoyed the many banquets and entertainments provided by our allied organizations.

On August 1 I observed my one hundred and third birthday with open house at my home and was greeted by about 200 friends. For the many gifts received at that time I am greatly appreciative. It was indeed a happy occasion to greet so many of my old friends and neighbors.

I am looking forward to meeting my comrades in Grand Rapids in September and hope that many will be present at that time.

To our commander in chief I pledge my support and my hope that his health will improve so that he will be with us for many years.

Sincerely in fraternity, charity, and loyalty.

JOHN H. GRATE,  
*Chaplain in Chief.*

## REPORT OF ADJUTANT GENERAL

JONESBORO, IND., August 20, 1948.

ROBERT M. ROWND,

*Commander in Chief, Ripley, N. Y.*

MY DEAR COMMANDER IN CHIEF: As we come to the end of another year it is my duty to report to you on the condition of the organization which we all love.

My health has not permitted me to be as active as usual this year, but I did participate in the Memorial Day services. I was unable to attend my own department convention, but my secretary came to my home and we handled all necessary business from my home.

This past year has taken quite a number of our members and has seen the closing of some of our departments. The Department of Minnesota and also of Pennsylvania were closed last year and their members became members at large under the national organization. The grim reaper of death closed the Departments of Maine and Massachusetts and in April of this year the Department of Michigan was closed by the death of Commander Orlando LeValley, a member of our national council of administration. June saw the closing of the Department of New York, but the two members are now members at large under national. On July 31 our junior vice commander in chief, John R. Bennett of Waynesfield, Ohio, was called home. At the present time we have but 28 members on the rolls of our organization.

The following is a summary of the gains and losses during the year ending December 31, 1947:

	Members	Posts
In good standing on Dec. 31, 1946-----	66	30
Gained by reinstatement-----	2	-----
Total-----	68	30
Loss by death-----	26	15
Transferred to members at large-----	5	-----
Total members at large-----	6	-----
Total in good standing Dec. 31, 1947-----	42	15

Since the first of the year 14 more members have answered the last roll call.

In this report is included the consolidated report of posts and membership of the Grand Army of the Republic for the year ending December 31, 1947.

May I express my appreciation for the appointment of adjutant and quartermaster general, and the thanks to our secretary and the secretary of the Indiana Department for handling the work of my office.



JOHN C. ADAMS  
ADJUTANT AND QUARTERMASTER GENERAL



To my comrades may I say, may health and strength be given you to carry on our beloved organization for a number of years.

Yours in fraternity, charity, and loyalty,

JOHN C. ADAMS,  
*Adjutant and Quartermaster General.*

*Consolidated report of posts and membership of the Grand Army of the Republic,  
showing gains and losses for the year ending Dec. 31, 1947*

Departments	Dec. 31, 1946		Dec. 31, 1947		Posts		Members	
	Posts	Mem- bers	Posts	Mem- bers	Gain	Loss	Gain	Loss
California and Nevada-----	5	8	4	6	-----	1	-----	2
Colorado and Wyoming-----	2	2	1	1	-----	1	-----	1
Connecticut-----	2	2	1	1	-----	1	-----	1
Illinois-----	4	7	2	4	-----	2	-----	3
Indiana-----	2	4	2	3	-----	0	-----	1
Iowa-----	0	3	0	2	-----	0	-----	1
Kansas-----	0	2	0	2	-----	0	-----	-----
Kentucky-----	0	3	0	2	-----	0	-----	1
Maine-----	2	2	0	0	-----	2	-----	2
Massachusetts-----	0	1	0	0	-----	0	-----	1
Michigan-----	1	2	1	1	-----	0	-----	1
Minnesota <sup>1</sup> -----	1	2	0	0	-----	1	2	2
Missouri-----	0	2	0	2	-----	-----	-----	-----
Nebraska-----	1	2	1	1	-----	-----	-----	1
New York-----	4	4	2	2	-----	2	-----	2
Ohio-----	2	4	1	2	-----	1	-----	2
Oklahoma-----	0	5	0	3	-----	-----	-----	2
Oregon-----	0	1	0	1	-----	-----	-----	-----
Pennsylvania <sup>2</sup> -----	2	3	0	0	-----	2	-----	3
Washington and Alaska-----	0	2	0	2	-----	-----	-----	-----
Wisconsin-----	2	4	0	1	-----	2	-----	3
Total-----	30	65	15	36	0	15	2	29

<sup>1</sup> Minnesota transferred to members at large.

<sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania transferred to members at large.

Transferred from Minnesota, 4; from Pennsylvania, 1; members at large, 1; total members Dec. 31, 1947, 42; net loss, posts, 15; loss, members, 29.

## REPORT OF QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

ROBERT M. ROWND,

*Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMMANDER IN CHIEF: Another year is drawing to a close and it is my duty to submit to you a report on the financial conditions of our beloved organization.

First of all, may I again thank you for the honor which you conferred upon me and my department when you appointed me adjutant and quartermaster general. This honor has been greatly appreciated.

My sincere thanks also to Mrs. Irene Compton, our secretary in Indiana, for her services in keeping the books and shipping supplies if and when ordered. All of these things add up and have lessened the work for the quartermaster.

Again thanking you for the honors, and wishing for you a most happy and prosperous encampment in Grand Rapids, I submit the following report for the past year.

Cordially yours in fraternity, charity, and loyalty,

JOHN C. ADAMS,

*Adjutant and Quartermaster General.*

## SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

*Transcript of books, July 1, 1947, to Oct. 1, 1948*

Cash balance as reported to eighty-first national encampment----- \$2, 990. 59  
 To be credited as follows:

General fund-----	\$2, 593. 49
Southern Memorial fund-----	330. 10
Badge fund-----	67. 00

## Subsequent receipts:

Department of Missouri, supplies-----	. 45
Department of Indiana, badge fund-----	10. 00
Department of Ohio, badge fund-----	8. 54
Department of Minnesota, badge fund-----	10. 00
Department of Iowa, badge fund-----	20. 00
Department of Nebraska, badge fund-----	3. 00
Department of Connecticut, badge fund-----	5. 00

Zola Miller Donahoe, refund from Southern Memorial fund-----	79. 33
Department of Wisconsin, badge fund-----	5. 00
Department of Maine, badge fund-----	20. 00

Grace Hurd, national treasurer, Daughters of Union Veterans; for ribbon and rank straps for GAR cabinet at home in Washington, D. C-----	12. 00
Department of Kentucky, badge fund-----	2. 00
Department of Pennsylvania, badge fund-----	5. 00

Robert M. Rownd, badge fund-----	10. 00
John S. Dumser, badge fund-----	3. 00
Woman's Relief Corps:	

General fund-----	1, 000. 00
Southern Memorial-----	250. 00

Ladies of the GAR, general fund-----	1, 000. 00
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Daughters of Union Veterans:	
General fund-----	1, 000. 00

Southern Memorial-----	250. 00
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Sons of Union Veterans, general fund-----	500. 00
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Auxiliary to Sons of Veterans, general fund-----	500. 00
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Department of Ohio, badge fund-----	21. 46
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Department of Minnesota, per capita-----	7. 00
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B. Franklin Davison, donation-----	3. 00
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Woman's Relief Corps, national encampment expense-----	187. 68
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Ladies of the GAR, national encampment expense-----	116. 90
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Daughters of Union Veterans, national encampment expense-----	142. 23
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Sons of Union Veterans, national encampment expense-----	95. 83
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Helen A. Phinney, balance of funds at the close of the Massachusetts Department-----	62. 10
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Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans, national encampment expense-----	116. 90
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Total-----	8, 437. 01
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## Disbursements:

Travel-----	35. 93
Salaries-----	95. 93
Expense-----	1, 643. 30
Jewel badge-----	150. 00
	1, 925. 16

Cash balance-----	6, 511. 85
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Check No. 64 not returned by Oct. 1, 1947-----	346. 64
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Cash in bank, Oct. 1, 1947-----	6, 858. 49
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## To be credited as follows:

General fund-----	5, 949. 06
Southern Memorial-----	909. 43

Total-----	6, 858. 49
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*Statement of disbursements, July 1 to Oct. 1, 1947*

Date	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose	Travel	Salary	Expense
July 30	49	Metal Arts Co.: 150 special convention badges with medallion of John H. Grate, commander in chief, Order 5040B, \$243.20; postage and insurance, \$0.62			\$243.82
Do .--	50	James H. Willett: Balance on account of Minnesota law suit			150.00
Aug. 5	51	Cora E. Gillis, national secretary: Fare to Cleveland and return, \$7.25; July phone bill paid in cash, \$7.76; office supplies, \$3.10; postage advance for encampment work, \$10; salary for August, less withholding tax, \$70.93			150.00
6	52	Jamestown Telephone Corp.: Service for August, with tax, \$7.76; toll calls, with tax, \$11.31			150.00
11	53	B. Franklin Davision; Jewel badge for Commander in Chief John H. Grate			156.37
16	54	Hotel Cleveland: Rooms and meals for office assistants, lawyer, and stenographer during encampment			51.50
Do .--	55	Allen T. Houck, florist: Flowers used for encampment memorial service			51.50
Do .--	56	Cora E. Gillis, national secretary: Telegrams, taxis, tips, meals for 3 days, room 2 nights, check room charges, and maid. Express on incoming packages at Cleveland encampment			57.44
18	1 57	Cleveland Public Auditorium: Liability insurance on total attendance of 3,300 at Public Auditorium, Aug. 10 and 12, 1947, at GAR meetings			19.80
Do .--	1 58	Cleveland Transit Co.: Busses for transporting U. S. Marine Band at GAR encampment, railroad to hotel and return			90.00
Do .--	59	Smith & Kinne: Commander's and officers' reports, encampment roll, and general order			128.75
Do .--	1 60	Alliance Printing & Stamps, Inc.: 150 tickets; 25 books, meal tickets; 2,500 official programs and stickers for same; 1 cut of John H. Grate; express to Cleveland for Eighty-first National Encampment			192.75
Sept. 10	61	John H. Grate, past commander in chief: Balance of badge money. Received too late to be included in badge			40.00
Do .--	62	Clara G. Yengling: Stationery and telegrams for encampment			12.55
Do .--	1 63	Cleveland Transit Co.: Tax on busses used for U. S. Marine Band			13.50
Do .--	1 64	Metal Arts Co.: 2,000 delegates' badges for allied orders			346.64
Do .--	65	James H. Willett, attorney: Railroad fare to Cleveland and return to Tama, Iowa			56.50
Do .--	66	Cora E. Gillis, national secretary: Expense to Grand Rapids; postage advance; phone bill for September; balance expense Cleveland; express on flag box, and packages from Cleveland			335.93
Do .--	67	John C. Adams: Quartermaster General salary for fourth quarter			25.00
		Total			95.93
					1,793.30

<sup>1</sup> Expenses incurred at national encampment which were paid by the allied organizations.

## ACCOUNT CURRENT

Cash received for term ending Oct. 1, 1947:

Balance in all funds as shown in supplemental report  
dated Oct. 1, 1947:

General fund -----	\$5, 949. 06
Southern memorial-----	909. 43
	-----
Subsequent receipts: Per capita tax-----	44. 00
Return from:	
Southern memorial-----	53. 40
Badge fund-----	75. 00
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Total-----	172. 40
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	7, 030. 89
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## CREDIT

Cash paid out for term ending Aug. 31, 1948:

Travel-----	\$302. 70
Salaries-----	1, 693. 40
Expense-----	555. 76
Southern memorial-----	800. 00
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Total-----	\$3, 351. 86
Check No. 64 dated Sept. 10, 1947 returned-----	346. 64
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Total in all funds Aug. 31, 1948-----	3, 332. 39
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To be credited as follows:

Badge fund-----	\$75. 00
General fund-----	3, 094. 56
Southern memorial-----	162. 83
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*Statement of total receipts, sales of supplies, per capita tax, southern memorial fund, etc., for term ending Aug. 31, 1948*

Departments	Supplies	Per capita tax	General fund	Southern Memorial	Badge fund
California and Nevada-----		\$6	-----	-----	\$10
Colorado and Wyoming-----		1	-----	-----	
Connecticut-----		1	-----	-----	
Illinois-----		4	-----	-----	25
Indiana-----		3	-----	-----	10
Iowa-----		3	-----	-----	5
Kansas-----		2	-----	-----	
Kentucky-----		2	-----	-----	
Michigan-----		1	-----	-----	
Missouri-----		2	-----	-----	5
Nebraska-----		1	-----	-----	
New York-----		2	-----	-----	10
Ohio-----		2	-----	-----	
Oklahoma-----		3	-----	-----	5
Oregon-----		1	-----	-----	
Pennsylvania-----		1	-----	-----	
Washington and Alaska-----		2	-----	-----	
Wisconsin-----		1	-----	-----	
Israel C. Broadsword, member at large-----		1	-----	-----	
Orrin S. Pierce, member at large-----		1	-----	-----	
Albert Woolson, member at large-----		1	-----	-----	
Anson Baker, member at large-----		1	-----	-----	
Nathan Colburn, member at large-----		1	-----	-----	
Robert M. Rownd, member at large-----		1	-----	-----	
Theodore A. Penland-----		-----	-----	-----	5
Zola Miller Donahoe, refund from Southern Memorial-----		-----	-----	\$53. 40	-----
Total-----		44	-----	53. 40	75

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Date 1947	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose	Travel	Salaries	Expense	Southern Memorial
Oct. 1	1	Smith & Kinne: Stationery, mailing labels, voucher checks, general order No. 1, 8½ by 13½ paper			\$31.70	
1	2	Cora E. Gillis, national secretary: Salary for September, \$125 less withholding tax, \$21.50; 1 typewriter ribbon, \$1		\$103.50	1.00	
1	3	Collector of internal revenue: Withholding tax on salary of Cora E. Gillis, secretary, July, August, and September 1947, \$46.30		46.30		
7	4	Jamestown Telephone Corp.: Local service with tax, \$7.76; long-distance calls with tax, \$2.09			9.85	
10	5	Gordon L. Elliott: Reporting eighty-first encampment and supplying original and 1 carbon copy of minutes, \$180.75; transportation and meals en route, \$45.20; postage and express on transcript, \$1.25			227.20	
10	6	Cora E. Gillis, national secretary: Travel expense advance to Grand Rapids for meeting with presidents about encampment				
24	7	Cora E. Gillis, national secretary: Travel advance to Washington, D. C., on official business, \$75; salary for October, less withholding tax, \$103.50				
Nov. 10	8	Jamestown Telephone Corp.: Local service for November, with tax, \$7.76; long-distance calls and tax, \$4.71				
15	9	Cora E. Gillis, national secretary: Salary for November less withholding tax, \$103.50; postage to Nov. 15, \$5.94				
Dec. 8	10	Jamestown Telephone Corp. Local service for December with tax, \$7.76; long-distance calls and telegrams with tax, \$3.83				
12	11	John C. Adams: Salary for first quarter as adjutant and quartermaster general, \$25				
13	12	Smith & Kinne: Printing general order No. 2, \$23.30, postage on same, \$0.63; 500 small envelopes imprinted, \$4				
17	13	Cora E. Gillis, national secretary: Salary for December, \$125, less withholding tax, \$21.50; postage due and advance, \$5.32				
Jan. 2	14	Collector of internal revenue: Withholding tax on salary of Cora E. Gillis, secretary, for September, October, and November 1947				
					64.50	

## EIGHTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

Statement of disbursements for term ending Aug. 31, 1948—Continued

Date 1947	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose	Travel	Salaries	Expense	Southern Memorial
Jan. 9	15	Jamestown Telephone Corp.: Local service for December, \$6.75; plus tax, \$1.01; toll calls and tax, \$0.69			\$8.45	
20	16	Cora E. Gillis, national secretary: Salary for January less withholding tax, \$103.50; rubber stamp with signature of commander in chief R. M. Rownd, \$3.70; cards for R. M. Rownd, \$0.50; 2 trips Ripley and return by bus, \$2.76; less balance due GAR from expenses to Washington, D. C., Oct. 26, voucher No. 7, \$2.25				
Feb. 9	17	Jamestown Telephone Corp.: Service for February, with tax, \$7.76; toll calls December 24, 1947 to January 8, 1948, with tax, \$4.27				
13	18	J. M. Winters & Sons: Fidelity Bond covering position of quartermaster general, February 16, 1948 to February 16, 1949, \$12.50				
25	19	Cora E. Gillis, national secretary: Salary for February, \$125, less withholding tax, \$21.50; advance travel to Grand Rapids, \$45; postage due and advance, \$5				
Mar. 2	20	Jamestown Telephone Corp.: Local service for March, with tax, \$7.76; toll calls and telegrams, with tax, \$3.71				
20	21	John C. Adams: Salary for second quarter as adjutant and quartermaster general, \$2.5				
19	22	Cora E. Gillis, national secretary: Salary for month of March, less withholding tax, \$103.50; balance of expense to Grand Rapids, and 1 trip to Ripley, \$2.39; 2 trips to Ripley and return, \$2.76; typewriter ribbon, \$1				
Apr. 1	23	Jamestown Telephone Corp.: Local service for month of April, with tax, \$7.76; long-distance calls Feb. 19 and 26, \$1.71				
1	24	Collector of internal revenue: Withholding tax on salary of Cora E. Gillis, secretary, for January, February, and March 1948				
19	25	Cora E. Gillis, national secretary: Salary for April less withholding tax, \$103.50; postage due and advance, \$10; 2 trips to Ripley, \$2.76				
29	26	Zola M. Donahoe: For Memorial Day in the South				
May 4	27	Jamestown Telephone Corp.: Local service for June, with tax, \$7.76; long-distance calls with tax, \$7.62				
11	28	Leah M. Simpson: Flowers for funeral of Orlando LeValley, member of executive committee, \$10.30				
14	29	Smith & Kinne: 350 general order No. 3, \$18; 500 No. 10 envelopes, \$5.10; 175 letterheads imprinted, \$2.50; 1,000 sheets Gilbert bond, \$3.20; 500 6 <sup>3/4</sup> envelopes, \$4				
						32.80

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19	30	Cora E. Gillis, national secretary: Salary for May, \$125, less withholding tax, \$18.80; postage advance, \$5; office supplies, \$5	106. 20	10. 00
28	31	Camp Art Co.: For copies of photograph of R. M. Rownd	4. 50	
June 3	32	Jamestown Telephone Corp.: Local service for June with tax, \$7.76; long-distance calls and telegrams with tax, \$2.86	10. 62	
12	33	John C. Adams, quartermaster general: Salary for third quarter	25. 00	
12	34	Cora E. Gillis, national secretary: Salary for June and July, less withholding tax, \$212.40; travel advance to Grand Rapids on national convention work, \$50; phone call, Rochester to Ripley, June 17, 1948, \$0.90	50. 00	212. 40
July 1	35	Collector of internal revenue: Withholding tax on salary of Cora E. Gillis, national secretary, for months of April, May, and June 1948	59. 10	. 90
2	36	Jamestown Telephone Corp.: Local service for July, with tax, \$7.76; long-distance calls and telegrams with tax, \$3.43		11. 19
27	37	Cora E. Gillis, national secretary: Travel advance to Albany to check on Grand Army records, \$40; letter file, \$4.25; 1,000 onion-skin paper, \$2.80; fare to Buffalo and return, hotel 1 night in Rochester, \$6.09; less balance due GAR on trip to Grand Rapids in June \$0.96	45. 13	7. 05
Aug. 2	38	Jamestown Telephone Corp.: Local service for August, with tax, \$7.76; long-distance calls and telegrams with tax, \$3.33		11. 09
2	39	King Typewriter Agency: Overhauling Underwood No. 4254478 in quartermaster's office in Indianapolis		12. 50
11	40	Flowerland florists: Flowers for funeral of Junior Vice Commander in Chief John R. Bennett, \$10; tax and delivery \$0.80		10. 80
12	41	Cora E. Gillis, national secretary: Salary for August and September, less withholding tax, \$212.40; travel advance to national encampment and storage of car, \$50; postage advance for general orders and encampment material, \$10; 1 typewriter ribbon, \$1; less balance due GAR on voucher No. 37, \$5.34	44. 66	212. 40
14	42	Irene Compton: Fourth quarter salary for keeping books for quartermaster general	25. 00	
		Total	302. 70	1,693.40
				555. 76
				800

*Inventory of supplies in quartermaster general's office, Aug. 31, 1948*

Rules and regulations	30
Amendments to rules and regulations	25
Rituals	27
Officers' cards:	
Senior vice commander	12
Junior vice commander	12
Chaplin	12
Ode cards	139
Service books	151
Applications for membership	15
Leave of absence	12
Transfers: Certificates, 12; cards 12	24
Discharge cards	12
Charters; department, 10; post, 10	20
Descriptive books	6
Blue books 1895, 2; 1896, 1; 1902, 5	8
Comrade at large certificates	12
Electrotypes, 1 large eagle	1
Lapel buttons	700
Badges	341
Rank straps	565
Form 1, requisition for supplies	5
Form B	15
Report of post chaplain	10
Report of department chaplain	15
Report post patriotic instructor	12
Post secretary badges	145
Assistant inspector reports	12
Department inspector reports	12
Aide-de-camp certificates	6
Aide badges, new	10
Members' badges, new	6
Department secretary badges	4





WILLIAM H. OSBORN  
NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

## REPORT OF NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

JOPLIN, Mo., Aug. 10, 1948.

JOHN C. ADAMS,

*Adjutant and Quartermaster General,*

*Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: At this time may I thank our commander in chief for appointing me to this office. As the national patriotic instructor I have endeavored at all times to uphold this office with the dignity it deserves.

I was privileged to participate in the services at the time of Memorial Day and attended the encampment of our Missouri Department, participating in all the events that week. It was a very enjoyable occasion, meeting with my many friends in the allied organizations.

To my successor may I wish good health and a happy year.

Yours in fraternity, charity, and loyalty,

W.M. H. OSBORN,

*National Patriotic Instructor.*

## REPORT OF NATIONAL CHIEF OF STAFF

OAKLAND, CALIF., August 16, 1948.

JOHN C. ADAMS,

*Adjutant and Quartermaster General,*

*Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: I appreciate very sincerely the honor bestowed upon me by our commander in chief when he appointed me to this office. The duties, of course, are very light at this time in our existence, but I have enjoyed this office.

The customary letters have been sent to all departments this year by our secretary and the response is very gratifying.

I was unable to attend our department encampment, but was honored on my one hundredth birthday by the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War with a very splendid banquet. For the many cards and messages received at that time I wish to express my thanks and appreciation.

To my commander in chief, may I say "thank you" for this appointment and may the blessing of our Heavenly Father rest upon you during the coming days.

To my comrades, my regrets at my inability to be with you this year, but may this be one of the finest encampments ever held, and may you all return safely to your homes at the close of same.

Yours in fraternity, charity, and loyalty,

JOHN S. DUMSER,  
*National Chief of Staff.*



JOHN S. DUMSER  
NATIONAL CHIEF OF STAFF



## REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE NATIONAL GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

JAMESTOWN, N. Y., August 18, 1948.

JOHN C. ADAMS,

*Adjutant and Quartermaster General,*

*Grand Army of the Republic.*

DEAR COMRADE ADAMS: Another year is drawing to a close and once more I submit a report of my work as your secretary. I have endeavored to answer all correspondence on the day of its receipt, wherever possible, and have kept in touch with the various officers throughout the year by correspondence and personal calls. I have visited the commander in chief at least once a week during practically the entire year and in that way was able to keep him posted on the progression of the work of your organization.

Shortly after the close of the eighty-first encampment I made a trip to Grand Rapids, Mich., to look over the situation there and report to the commander in chief. A contract was signed by him to hold the 1948 national encampment in the city of Grand Rapids the week of September 26 to 30, 1948, with headquarters in the Pantlind Hotel, where we have had so many splendid encampments in years past.

In November I drove to Washington, D. C., to contact various places there about the placing of your records when the organization should come to a close and was assured they would be glad to have them placed in Washington.

In January, while attending the Women's Patriotic Conference on National Defense, I visited Congressman Bartel Jonkman, of Grand Rapids, Mich., and through his efforts a bill was introduced that same day to the House for the purpose of bringing the United States Marine Band to Grand Rapids for the eighty-second national encampment. This bill was passed by both Houses and signed by the President of the United States.

It has been necessary for me to make several trips to Grand Rapids in connection with the coming encampment, but feel that it was time well spent.

I attended the department encampments in Indiana, New York, Michigan, and Ohio, and at each of these extended the greetings of the National Grand Army of the Republic. On June 20 I visited our adjutant general and on August 1 attended the one-hundred and third birthday party for Past Commander in Chief John H. Grate at his home in Atwater, Ohio.

I have written in the neighborhood of 600 letters this year and issued four general orders. The national journal of the eighty-first national encampment was completed in October of 1947 and was mailed out in March of 1948 by the Government Printing Office.

As the time for another encampment draws near may I again pledge my loyalty and assure you of my best efforts in the days to come. It has been a happy privilege to work with the heads of the various organizations this year, and may I at this time express my thanks for their cooperation.

I have endeavored to keep all expenses down to the minimum and the report of the quartermaster as drawn up by his secretary will show a substantial balance in the funds.

May I express my thanks to you for your promptness in replying to my letters, and pledge again my fullest cooperation in the coming year.

CORA E. GILLIS,  
*Secretary.*

NATIONAL COUNCIL  
OF ADMINISTRATION

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## **MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 1948**

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The national council of administration convened at 1:57 p. m., Monday, September 27, 1948, in room 952, Pantlind Hotel, Grand Rapids, Mich., Senior Vice Commander in Chief Theodore A. Penland presiding.

Present: Senior Vice Commander in Chief Theodore A. Penland, Chaplain in Chief John H. Grate, National Patriotic Instructor William H. Osborn, and Comrade Charles L. Chappel, California and Nevada.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. This is the council of administration. I will ask Comrade Osborn to make a short prayer.

Comrade OSBORN. Let us bow our heads while we pray to the throne of grace. Our gracious loving Father who art in Heaven and yet Thou art here with us, we do thank Thee, dear Father, for our life, for our health, most of us, and we do thank Thee, dear Lord, that everything is as well with us as it is.

We now ask Thee, dear Father, to sanction and bear with us for the words that come to Thy throne. Bless all that we may do here at this short session of the few of those who know that they owe all to their Heavenly Father. Give us friendships and all the blessings that come to the human family in every day and hour and moment of life.

Then, dear Lord, we do ask Thee to sanction and to bless the things that are said and done here, that they may ever redound to Thy honor and glory and to ourselves especially.

Then, dear Father, we ask Thee to sanction and bless all that is said and done, and guide and care for us through to the end of this session. We do beg and ask it all in Jesus' name and for His dear sake. Amen.

Miss GILLIS (secretary of the Grand Army of the Republic). Your meeting is now open for business—any business that you may want to transact this afternoon. There is very little. The reporter has the names of your officers. Do you want to ask the men whether they would like to vote to make next year their final encampment or not; see how they feel about it?

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. Comrades, would you like to have the next encampment the final meeting?

Past Commander in Chief GRATE. You might say we would be in favor of it, in favor of a final encampment, the closing one. I think the greater part of our organization would be closed by the following year anyway. There would not be left a great many living to come the following year anyway and meet with us.

Miss GILLIS. I have talked to Mr. Penland that, if you voted to close next year, then we could have one big celebration.

Past Commander in Chief GRATE. In the department, I didn't bring that up. This decision would not affect the department, would it?

Miss GILLIS. That would mean next June would probably be your last department convention.

Past Commander in Chief GRATE. Yes; it surely would.

Miss GILLIS. We are trying to get an idea of how you men feel about this thing, and then we could have a proper resolution drawn up by the lawyer and brought into the encampment session.

Past Commander in Chief GRATE. As you think about it, what shape would you put it in?

Miss GILLIS. The lawyer will put it in shape for us. We just want the men to think about whether you want to vote to make the next one the final encampment.

Past Commander in Chief GRATE. I think I would vote for it. There won't be enough to make a quorum after next year.

Miss GILLIS. I talked with Comrade Penland about this the other day, and he felt about the same as I did. This will be voted on in your encampment next Wednesday, when the other two men are here. The other two were not entitled to come into this meeting.

Miss GILLIS. I will see what Mr. Osborn says. Mr. Osborn, do you think that we should vote at this encampment to make next year's encampment the final encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic because so many men are getting where they cannot travel any more? Do you think that we should vote to make next year your last encampment? Everybody is getting where it is hard for them to travel. I am trying to get the feeling of all of you men on this subject before we vote on it at the encampment.

Comrade OSBORN. That is good.

Miss GILLIS. Can you make the men hear without the microphone?

Comrade OSBORN. I want the situation so that you can all understand what I say. At Des Moines 5 years ago, at one of our national encampments, there was a resolution offered and-put by the commander and unanimously adopted that, as long as one of the Civil War veterans lived, the Grand Army of the Republic should continue. Now that stands there on record in full force up till this day. But I do think, as it is—we are all human, and as myself growing each year older, hence more feeble, less able to move and get around. And, as long as we have been holding our State and national encampments, it seems that the time has come—like everything else, it must come to an end; and, as it is, there is not one Civil War comrade living that is actually able to get up and get ready and make himself able to come to a single encampment and present anything that would be beneficial for himself or anybody else. And I do think that we should consider, as considerate men still endowed with our thoughts and minds, that the time has come, like everything else in this life comes to an end. So far as I am concerned, everything considered, the distance that so many have to go, the amount of effort to make ready and get ready for the trip, everything considered—it to me is child's play.

Miss GILLIS. Then you feel that it would be a good idea to make next year your last encampment.

Comrade OSBORN. That is what I want to say. I certainly am much in favor of that.

Miss GILLIS. Of course, we can see that you men should not travel after next year.

Comrade OSBORN. That is true. I am decidedly in favor of it right now. It is a good time. We will never have a better time than this to decide that we have one more and the last one of our State and national encampments. I am decidedly in favor.

Miss GILLIS. You are in favor of that, too; aren't you, Mr. Penland? Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. Yes; I am.

Miss GILLIS. Now, Comrade Chappel, can I make you hear if I come around on the other side?

Comrade CHAPPEL. I can hear from either side.

Miss GILLIS. I will tell you. Did you hear what Comrade Osborn said?

Comrade CHAPPEL. I could not understand it.

Miss GILLIS. What has been brought up is that you make next year your last national encampment, because you men are getting old. It is hard for you to travel such long distances. That would mean you would have one more national encampment after this one. How do you feel about it?

Comrade CHAPPEL. I am willing to go whenever I am able, no matter how long they hold.

Miss GILLIS. I don't think that after next year anybody will be able to travel the way you are doing now. If you could come next year, it will be just wonderful. How do you feel about it?

Comrade CHAPPEL. I am hard of hearing and don't hear very much. I learned more out of that book [National Journal] in 5 minutes than I knew, and I haven't gotten very much yet. But, as far as I am concerned, if I don't get sick—I am in a good deal better shape than I have been for several years—I am coming as long as they hold meetings. I have no decision. I am only 101 past in July. I am in a good deal better shape than I have been for several years.

Miss GILLIS. You are, but the other men are not.

Comrade CHAPPEL. That is the difference, friends.

Miss GILLIS. This year you could not have your commander in chief because he was not well enough to come. This year your quartermaster could not come because he was not well enough. And that is why I think, if you vote to make next year your last encampment, then all these men that are well enough to come will be there. I don't want your organization to just simply die out and not have any recognition at all. If you vote this year to make next year the last one, then we could have a big time.

Comrade CHAPPEL. All right; that is satisfactory.

Miss GILLIS. The other men are in favor of doing that. Mr. Grate and Mr. Penland and Mr. Osborn are in favor of making next year the last one.

Comrade CHAPPEL. I am with the majority.

Miss GILLIS. All right, sir.

Comrade CHAPPEL. I am going to state that I will come as long as I can. Last year, just as I was getting ready to come, I got sick and wasn't able to come.

Past Commander in Chief GRATE. Would that mean that we would have to elect officers next year and go on with them?

Miss GILLIS. The officers that are elected this year would be the last officers elected. I can see, by the number of men we have left, we are not going to have many that can travel next year. We have lost half of our membership last year. We had 55 on our reports the 1st of January a year ago, and this year we only had 28. That is why I am trying to look to the future a little bit. Mr. Rownd wanted to vote to close right at this convention. I told him I knew the men would not want to close this year. But that is what Mr. Rownd wanted to do. Commander in Chief Rownd wanted the organization to close this year. But I told him I was sure you would not want to close this year, but maybe you would want to close another year.

Past Commander in Chief GRATE. Yes; I think so.

Miss GILLIS. He may be better so he can come another year. You can't tell a thing about it.

Past Commander in Chief GRATE. There is a little difficulty in our department about next year.

Miss GILLIS. We will get that straightened out in Ohio.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. Have you any hopes for the comrade?

Miss GILLIS. We cannot tell a thing about it. He has not been out of bed since last June.

Comrade CHAPPEL. I am ready to come as long as they hold a meeting. I am not going to object to the closing, because I know these men are not able to come.

Miss GILLIS. That is right. Just a few of you are able to come, and the rest of them cannot come; and they are getting weaker every year. They should not take these long trips. Maybe, if you don't travel so much, you will live 10 or 15 years longer.

Comrade CHAPPEL. I tell them I am going to live until I die. I don't know how long that will be. I live from day to day. That is the way I stand.

Miss GILLIS. Commander Penland, your books are being audited right now by the daughter of Past Commander in Chief Nixon. Irma Nixon is auditing your books, and we will have the report at the regular business session Wednesday. The quartermaster's books and mine balance right to the penny. I still have quite a bit of money left in the treasury. I have around \$2,800 left this year, which is not bad. So we will have money to go through next year all right.

Comrade CHAPPEL. I have been department commander and senior vice commander for the last 5 years. I am department commander now. I am staying with that as long as I am able to.

Past Commander in Chief GRATE. Is next year going to be the last?

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND. You will close it out at your next encampment next year.

Miss GILLIS. I thought it would be nice if next year was your final convention to have it in Illinois, in the State in which you were organized; and the convention-bureau man from Illinois is coming up here this week to give you an invitation.

Tonight is the dinner of the Woman's Relief Corps here in this hotel, and they want every one of you to come to that dinner—5:30.

Comrade OSBORN. What is this question that you have just settled? What about our next meeting—when and where?

Miss GILLIS. Your business session will be held Wednesday morning right up here in these same rooms, and then you will vote on this.

Comrade OSBORN. What will that business be?

Miss GILLIS. That will be your regular business: election of officers. Your greetings committees will come in, and then you will vote on this: whether you will make next year your last encampment and some other resolutions we will have. But this is all the business we have to take care of this afternoon, I think, and then we will be up here again Wednesday morning and have a regular business session.

Comrade OSBORN. All right.

Comrade CHAPPEL. In answer to that question, it may be the last time that we will all of us be able to get together at a dinner. Naturally, I shall go even if I don't want to eat anything. A great many times I don't eat. But we should get together just as often as we can. That is my idea.

Miss GILLIS. You will have some invitations and we will try and vote on that Wednesday and will not refer it to the council of administration. I think we can close this afternoon meeting now, and then we will meet Wednesday morning right up here in this room, and then we will have everything in shape. We will have a proper resolution on this. The lawyer will draw up the proper resolution, when he hears from you, in order to get this in the right form, and one or two other things you and I talked about the other day, about headquarters for next year and the signing of checks. He is going to fix up something on that too.

I think that that will be all for this afternoon as far as I can see.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief PENLAND: Comrades, I declare this meeting closed for today.

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF  
ADMINISTRATION HELD IN ROOM 952, PANTLIND  
HOTEL, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., WEDNESDAY, SEP-  
TEMBER 29, 1948**

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The new council of administration met in room 952, Pantlind Hotel, Grand Rapids, Mich., Wednesday, September 29, 1948, at 2:45 p. m., with the following members in attendance: Commander in Chief Theodore A. Penland, Senior Vice Commander in Chief John H. Grate, Junior Vice Commander in Chief William H. Osborn, National Patriotic Instructor Charles L. Chappel, and National Chief of Staff Albert Woolson.

Miss CORA E. GILLIS, (secretary of the Grand Army of the Republic). We are going to take care of the council of administration work, and the only thing that you really have to vote on this year, Mr. Penland wants to do some traveling. He is out on the west coast and you have got to appropriate a certain amount of money for him for traveling. Mr. Rownd did not have any this year. He did not take any appropriation. He said that if he traveled at all he would pay for it. But he has not been able to travel. He has been sick most of the year. Mr. Penland lives so far away from the rest of you he is entitled to some travel expenses, and with the money that we got last night you will have money enough to allow him something. You used to allow \$800 and then that was cut to \$500. Railroad fares are away up and he is on the west coast. Eight hundred is the most that was ever allowed, for a number of years. You have about \$6,000 in the treasury with what came in last night, \$4,000 general fund and \$700 for the Southern Memorial.

Comrade OSBORN. I make a motion that the travel expenses of the commander in chief be \$800. [Seconded by Comrade Grate.]

Commander in Chief PENLAND. The motion has been made and seconded that the traveling expenses of the commander in chief be \$800.

Miss GILLIS. Provided he travels. You don't get it unless you travel.

Commander in Chief PENLAND. All in favor say "Aye." Carried.

Miss GILLIS. You have been in the habit of paying your quartermaster \$100. He don't get anything out of it. The girl that does the bookkeeping gets the hundred dollars. For years the quartermaster has turned that over to the girl that keeps the books. He don't have a thing to do. She has all the book work to do. And that has been customary for a number of years, \$100.

Comrade GRATE. I make a motion we allow the quartermaster \$100. [Seconded by Comrade Chappel.]

Commander in Chief PENLAND. It is moved and seconded that we give the quartermaster \$100 a year. All in favor say "Aye." Carried.

Miss GILLIS. The next question is on your secretary's salary, whether you want to give me any more money or not.

Commander in Chief PENLAND. I am willing.

Comrade GRATE. What are we waiting for?

Miss GILLIS. The question is whether you are giving the secretary any more money. If she has to move away from home she cannot live on what she has been getting last year.

Commander in Chief PENLAND. Are you going to stay in your office?

Miss GILLIS. That is a question. You can make your motion to increase that salary provided I move the office. I have had the office in my home for the last 2 years. If I stay at home I can get along on what I am getting. If I have to go somewhere else I cannot. Here is the idea: You are paying me \$1,500 a year, but the income tax comes out of that, so I only have about a hundred dollars a month left over after the income tax is taken out. If I go away from home to live I could not possibly live on \$100 a month.

Comrade GRATE. You don't want to pay your own expenses, do you?

Miss GILLIS. I don't see any reason why I should.

Comrade GRATE. If you are doing business for the organization they ought to pay your travel expense there.

Miss GILLIS. This is salary we are talking about now. They have to pay any expense I have to have in travel for business. That they have to take care of. I am getting only a hundred dollars a month out of this after my income tax has been deducted. They deduct it. I don't get what Katharine used to get. The first year I was paid the same amount when I lived out in Seattle. The next year I said if I lived at home I would cut off some of that, so they only paid me \$1,000 a year. That didn't mean very much. Last year they raised me \$500, so I would have a little more money after the Government got through deducting theirs out of it.

Comrade GRATE. You agreed to do it for half.

Miss GILLIS. Yes; but the men decided last year that they were not paying me as much as they ought to, so they raised it \$500. If I am living away from home I should have another \$500 a year, I think. Even then you are getting me for much less than you should.

Comrade GRATE. And the cost of living that went up, I think—

Miss GILLIS. Why don't you make a motion that my salary be raised \$500 this year? If I don't go away from home I would not make out the checks for any more than I am getting now. You can put that in the minutes. If I stay at home the salary remains the same.

Comrade GRATE. I make a motion that we raise the secretary's salary \$500. [Seconded by Comrade Osborn.]

Commander in Chief PENLAND. It is moved and seconded that we raise our secretary's salary \$500 a year. All in favor say "Aye." Carried.

Miss GILLIS. That takes care of everything. Your Relief Corps ladies are out here now. We will let them come in.

(Whereupon, at 3 p. m., the meeting of the national council of administration was adjourned and the national encampment resumed its session.)



# In Memoriam



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## JOHN R. BENNETT, JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF

John R. Bennett, junior vice commander in chief, passed away very suddenly at his home in Waynesfield, Ohio, on July 30th, 1948 having been ill but a short time. Comrade Bennett celebrated his one hundred and third birthday earlier in the year and was able to attend the department encampment in Columbus, Ohio, in June, although in poor health at that time. He served during the Civil War in Company A, One Hundred and Eightieth Ohio Infantry. He was a past department commander of Ohio and was elected junior vice commander in chief at the eighty-first national encampment held in Cleveland, Ohio, August 14, 1947.

*Resolved*, That this, the Eighty-second National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, extend their sincere sympathy to his daughter, Mrs. Ada Skinner, and that this resolution be made a part of our permanent records.

JOHN H. GRATE, Ohio,  
JOHN C. ADAMS, Indiana,  
WILLIAM H. OSBORN, Missouri.

# In Memoriam

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## ORLANDO LeVALLEY

Comrade Orlando LeValley, department commander of the Michigan Department, died in office April 19, 1948, closing a membership of 63 years of service in the Grand Army of the Republic.

Comrade LeValley served as junior vice commander in chief in 1946 and as national patriotic instructor in 1945 and at the time of his death was a member of the council of administration.

He was mustered into Company E, Twenty-third Michigan Infantry, at the age of 16 and was discharged October 14, 1865.

The passing of Comrade LeValley closed the Department of Michigan Grand Army of the Republic.

He was a true Christian gentleman and will be greatly missed by his comrades and his many friends throughout the Nation.

**MEMORIAL SERVICES  
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**JOINT MEMORIAL SERVICES IN THE CIVIC AUDITORIUM,  
GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., SUNDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 26, 1948, 2:30 P. M.**

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Hon. Perry W. Greene, chairman, presiding.  
(Music, United States Marine Band, Maj. William F. Santelmann, leader.)

Chairman GREENE. Members of the Grand Army of the Republic and all those wonderful allied organizations, it is a great pleasure to welcome you on behalf of the great State of Michigan and Governor Kim Sigler as well as the people of Grand Rapids. I assure you it is a distinct honor to be chosen as general chairman in charge of this memorial service today.

We will now hear the invocation by Rev. Duncan E. Littlefair, pastor of the Fountain Street Baptist Church.

Dr. LITTLEFAIR. We are gathered here as a great group of people from many parts of this fine land of ours, but we are united by our great traditions and by our high hopes for the future. In the presence of God who unites us we raise our prayers to Him, that we may be able to enlarge our ideals and to refine our desires that through our high traditions and our great hopes for the future we may find the goodness of God and His will, and that through our knowledge of His will we may not only leave what has been given us but for all of those who are to come after us a tradition which they themselves will find above that we have tried to find for ourselves. May God give us the strength to be what we ought to be and to do the things that He would have us to do. For in His will alone is there any victory. Amen.

Chairman GREENE. We have been extremely fortunate in having with us today one of the great bands of the world, the United States Marine Band, conducted by Major Santelmann, and it will now favor us with another selection.

(Music, United States Marine Band.)

Chairman GREENE. In this part of the memorial service we will now have the placing of floral tributes.

(Flowers were then placed upon a harp easel by the heads of the different organizations, as follows, each being presented in turn by the chairman :)

Theodore A. Penland, senior vice commander in chief, Grand Army of the Republic.

Mrs. Grayce Vedetta, national president, Woman's Relief Corps.

Mrs. Irene Mangel, national president, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Mrs. Anna B. Dolan, national president, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-65, Inc.

Charles H. E. Moran, commander in chief, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Mrs. Katharine L. Joyce, national president, Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

(Music, United States Marine Band.)

(Just a Closer Walk With Thee, Huso Silver Tone Quartet.)

Chairman GREENE. In presenting the next speaker, Col. Lester C. Doerr, of whom we in Grand Rapids are very proud, I wish to say he is a great sailor and a great soldier. He served in World War I in the Navy, and he was chaplain of the Thirty-second Division, serving in the Pacific islands in World War II. He will deliver the memorial address this afternoon. Colonel Doerr.

Colonel DOERR. Mr. Chairman, members of the allied groups of the Grand Army of the Republic, may I address you today in the way I prefer to address you—fellow citizens?

As I stand here today and look at you I think of you as the citizens of this greatest country in the world, and I look upon you and those with whom you are associated as the hope, as the future of America. And I would speak to you today for a brief time expressing some thoughts which are pertinent, I hope, to the occasion, not confining my remarks particularly to the Grand Army of the Republic but speaking in a more general way concerning our country, its hopes, and its future.

There was a dream that men could one day speak the thoughts of their own choosing. There was a hope that men could one day stroll through the streets at evening unafraid. There was a prayer that each could speak to his own God, in his own church, unmolested. That dream, that hope, that prayer became America.

We meet today to honor those who through sacrifice made their dreams, their hopes, and prayers a reality. We meet to honor those who gave us America, and those who gave us America have given us a great heritage, a great country, and we must not take our country with its freedoms, those freedoms that have been expressed as freedom from want, freedom from fear, and freedom of speech and freedom of religion—we must not take these things, I say, today for granted. And it is well that on occasions like this we spend a few moments in retrospection, in memory. Indeed we must remember some of those things in order that we—we may protect those things which have been given to us in this heritage. Therefore, as I have said to you, I confine my remarks not to just one phase of our country's history, but I would remind you that our national heritage has been purchased at a great sacrifice.

Time forbids me to speak at length of our Colonial and Revolutionary forefathers, but monuments over our country speak of their valiant deeds. Valley Forge, Bunker Hill are just examples of names that recall the lives of devotion which produced these our free institutions.

On April 12, 1861, as some of you here today still remember, Fort Sumter was fired upon, and from the North and from the South men responded to the call. They fought, they bled, and they laid down their lives for principles in which they believed. They gave

us again an opportunity to have and to hold those freedoms which were so precious to us. You hear of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, and some of us have stood by that tomb. But I would remind you that there were other unknown soldiers' graves. Do you know that in Arlington Cemetery alone one may stand beside the tomb of 21,000 unknown Civil War soldiers who have given their lives for us, and other thousands of that war lie buried in southern soil.

Eighteen hundred and ninety-eight and other dates recall other sacrifices made. If we could go again to Arlington Cemetery we might stand beside that monument in memory of the dead of the battleship *Maine*.

And then because of the way in which we lived there began in 1914 the greatest carnage until then in human history. And when we had finished that war they told us that there had been 10,000,000 who had given their lives. They were not all Americans I grant you, but still 10,000,000 known dead in that war. And 6,000,000 more were seriously wounded, 14,000,000 more were wounded not so seriously. And I have often said that the mind cannot grasp even figures like that—10,000,000 dead, if you please, and if you were to put them 10 abreast and march them past the front of this auditorium they would march to the tread of the martial music played by this Marine Band, not 1 day and 1 night, not even a week of days and nights, but they would march for 46 days and 46 nights. Again I remind you, as is the purpose of our coming together, that our liberties, our privileges, our rights as American citizens have been purchased at a tremendous price.

"We died," they cried, "for a dream. Have ye forgot? We dreamed of a world reborn whence wars had fled, where swords were broken in pieces and guns were rust, where the poor man dwelt in quiet, the rich in peace, and children played in the streets, joyous and free—have we died in vain? Is our dream denied?"

And I would ask you today as citizens of this great country, was their dream denied? I would not say. I only know that we who fought in World War I were told, "a war to save the world for democracy." We were told that it was "a war to end wars." And I know that after that war we followed lines of thinking and techniques in our living which did not develop democratic governments throughout the world and did not prevent war.

I know that in another 25 years we found ourselves engaged in another great war, testing whether our Nation or any nation so conceived and so dedicated could long endure. I would like, if time permitted, to say more about that war. I only remind you that in that war, which we have finished probably, there were 22,060,000 civilian and military dead and 34,400,000 seriously wounded. Yes; we need not go into the cost of the war, but it cost our country in dollars a mere \$349,778,608,870. It cost the world in the trillions, my friends. We pay for that, our children will pay for that, but that is only a small part of the real cost, as we well know.

Think of the hunger and desolation in Europe and Asia today. Think of the children who have lived only since 1939 and who know nothing except a condition in which the world lives today, cities laid waste, churches and schools destroyed, hopes shattered, and faith dim.

But, my friends, my friends of the Grand Army of the Republic, you who fought, some of you here who fought so bravely and so well in those days that our country might be, that it might continue to be, and then there follows these things of which I have been telling you. We need to be reminded today that our Christian civilization was purchased at a great cost. The apostle Paul said, "Without the shedding of blood there is no remission of sins." But I want to say to you that without the shedding of blood there could be no country, there could be no civilization. Someone has well said, "Civilization is a tree nourished not by rain nor snow, but by the tears and blood of prophets and patriots of yesterday."

Today as we honor those men and those women who fought so well away back in the sixties, we must think of Washington, we must think of Grant; it is well to think of Lee, of Pershing, and all others who served with them. But we must also remember men who have given outside of war's time, men like Bell and the telephone, Edison and the electric light, DeForrest and the radio, Pasteur and inoculation, and a host of others, just to remind you that progress in this country, fellow citizens, is the result of unselfish endeavor. Men like those men I have mentioned, through their unselfishness have advanced civilization. They consecrated their lives to the accomplishment of a worth-while task, and you and I meet today on this day of memory as heirs of a civilization unsurpassed in the annals of human progress established by these consecrated pioneers, preserved by consecrated soldiers and civilians. We are heirs of those who endured hunger, who endured thirst, who went on weary marches, who faced death on the field of battle, who bared their breasts to the lead and steel of the enemy; and I ask you why they did it? And the only answer I have been able to find is that it was because of a sense of duty, because of a love for their country's flag, because they knew there were generations coming after them who needed the protection that only they were able to give through their sacrifice at that time.

I have visited the battlefields of the Civil War. Not long ago I visited the battlefield of Gettysburg. I visited the cemeteries of France, of Australia, of New Guinea, and the Philippines. I looked with a full heart upon these rows and rows of wooden crosses, and I have been constrained to say more than once, "Greater love hath no man than this." And I return to World War II because I think it is so appropriate, and I have on this occasion to repeat the words of Admiral Nimitz who said:

On ordered rows of crosses and stars of David on the Pacific islands are names that are a cross section of democracy: Culpepper, Tomaino, Sweeney, Bromberg, DePew, Melloy, and Ponzani. They fought together as comrades in arms; they died together and they now sleep together side by side. Only with the same teamwork can we be sure that their sacrifices will make a better, safer world in which to live. United we fought and united we prevail.

And as we gather here today in retrospect and remember these things concerning the men and women who have laid down their lives and who in other ways have sacrificed for us, it is certainly fitting that we should say: "That we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain; that this nation under God shall have a new birth of freedom"; and that freedom, my good friends, is based in my opinion simply upon the preservation of our free institutions.

I would that I could take the time to go into more detail about that. But today the American home is threatened by the instability within our own hearts, our homes are threatened, and that is indicated by that barometer known as the divorce rate. I simply remind you that when a nation's family life decays that nation rots at the core, and the mainsprings of her moral and social virtue dry up, and we need well to look to that institution, the American home, and think of what it can do for the future of this country, this country for which men have given so much.

I would that I could speak to you more about the American educational system. Some of you take it for granted as you take other things for granted. But I want to say to you that if you want to save democracy you must educate for it, and we must not at this time educate for individual success but we must educate for social salvation, and that means that each and every one of us should give some thought to the education of the youth today that they may preserve these things which are granted to them as a heritage out of our yesterdays.

Oh, our freedom of religion that we talk about so much. Long ago a great President said, "Religion is the need of the hour." Our founding fathers recognized God; our Continental Congress opened with prayer. I love still that story of Washington on his knees at Valley Forge. I love these words of Abraham Lincoln when he said:

Four score and seven years ago our fathers founded on this continent a new nation, conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal

—a religious utterance.

I love the religious utterances of General MacArthur. I believe that his dependence on God is impressive to us all. I could tell you of other religious utterances of great men, such as that of General Eisenhower, who said on one occasion as he watched a convoy he was sending toward Italy, with bowed head:

There comes a time when man, having done all that he can do, must leave the rest in the hand of God.

Religion is the need of the hour. It has been the need of the hour and will continue to be the need of the hour. But a great many of us do not live that way; we do not order our lives that way. We sort of forget the place that God has had in the preservation of this country of ours, and if I may put it to you again, the kind of religion that we need may be summed up in the quotation:

What doth the Lord require of thee but to do justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with thy God.

We meet today not to render lip service to our fallen comrades, but—it is for us the living rather to be dedicated to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced; it is rather for us to be dedicated to the great task remaining before us, that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to the cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion; that we here highly resolve that those dead shall not have died in vain.

**Chairman GREENE.** Thank you, Colonel Doerr. As is customary in these memorial services we will have some words of tribute. I am calling now on John H. Grate, chaplain in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Comrade GRATE. In behalf of my comrades I want to express the deepest sorrow at the passing of so many comrades, especially Comrades Bennett and LeValley.

Chairman GREENE. We will hear from Mrs. Bessie Cummings, national chaplain, Woman's Relief Corps.

Mrs. CUMMINGS. Mr. Chairman, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, presidents of the National Organizations, distinguished guests, and friends, as the memory of their great leader Abraham Lincoln lives on through the ages, so will the memory of his soldiers. After more than 65 years of perpetuating the noble deeds of the grandest army of men the world has ever known, their Auxiliary, the National Woman's Relief Corps, feel that the most precious tribute they can give during this sacred hour is the tribute of the living heart. Therefore, we rededicate ourselves to the great purpose remaining before us, and pledge anew, as long as there are loyal, patriotic women in the United States, the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic will be as a beacon light unto generations yet to come.

Day by day the Heavenly Bugler has sounded the final retreat for comrade after comrade, until only a handful remain of the noble Army of men who wrote with their blood the only complete chart of liberty that was ever written, and who by their eternal vigilance during the years of their civil lives have kept alive the sacred flame of patriotism, courage and sacrifice without which our Republic would have been saved in vain.

Priceless, indeed, is the heritage which they have given to us. To-day as we pay reverent homage to the memory of those comrades who have joined the Grand Army above, the realization comes to us that in the heart of every true American, the Grand Army of the Republic will never die. For the flag they love and saved in all its beauty and holiness, and the united United States, will ever be the living symbol of the greatness of their lives. So—

We will not think of them as dead  
Those comrades brave and true,  
But just passed on to a fairer land  
Our eyes may not yet view.  
But bye and bye, 'twill not be long,  
They'll stand in line again  
And touch the elbow soldierlike,  
The same as mortal men.  
Ere long we'll meet them one and all  
In that great Grand Review  
And clasp the hand of everyone  
Who ever wore the Blue.

Reverently we pray:

Lead on, O King Eternal, their day of rest has come.  
Henceforth in fields of conquest Thy tents shall be their home.  
Through days of preparation, Thy grace has kept them strong,  
But now, O King Eternal, they sing the Glory Song.  
Lead on, O King Eternal, they follow not with fears,  
For gladness breaks like morning where'er Thy Face appears.  
Thy Cross is lifted o'er them, they journey in its light,  
The Crown awaits our comrades, lead them gently Home,  
O God of might.—Amen.

Chairman GREENE. The national chaplain of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Mrs. Mary Barclay.

**Mrs. BARCLAY.** Mr. Chairman, comrades, and ladies, once again God in His wisdom has called members of the Grand Army of the Republic to their eternal rest. And as we gather to pay tribute to them we Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic and members of the allied orders are not unmindful of the fact how filled with pain and heartache were those days of '61 to '65 from Sumter Hill to Appomattox.

Terrible was the travail of the Nation's new birth which the great Abe Lincoln saw. Tears came with peace when the Great Emancipator was sacrificed and the ages claimed him.

Quaint grows the Union blue uniform with its little bronze button and McClelland cap on each Memorial Day. But immortal is the spirit of the men who so proudly wore them.

Though sad at heart, we rejoice that God who doeth all things for the best makes it possible for us to meet year after year at Grand Army encampments to pay homage to the rapidly thinning ranks of that mighty army whose influence for the good of our country has been far-reaching.

Soon they will be but pleasant memory. How often have we heard them ask the question,

Who will tell the story  
When the boys in blue are gone?

We have no finer way of honoring our fathers than again to rededicate ourselves to the noble principles for which they stood for the last fourscore years, that we may keep your land and mine as it came to us from our fathers.

Also to see that the children of our land are instructed in the pledge to the flag and the history of our country, and to see that the dear old flag they preserved for us is kept floating over a free and undivided nation.

May we leave here with but one thought in mind for our soldiers living and dead: Cheers for the living and tears for the dead.

Sleep, comrades, sleep and rest  
On fields of grounded arms,  
Where foe's alarms no longer molest,  
Nor sentry's shot alarms.  
Your silent tents of green we'll deck  
With flags and flowers;  
Yours has the suffering been,  
The memory shall be ours.

**Chairman GREENE.** We will now hear from the national chaplain, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Esther Schooler.

**Mrs. SCHOOLER.** Mr. Chairman, it is with solemn tread and a very deep feeling of reverence that we, the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, join with the allied family in paying tribute to our fathers, the Grand Army of the Republic.

They are going down the valley one by one, and the sweet remembrance that we as their Daughters have and the precious treasure handed down to us through the years, have been a lesson of love of country and patriotism that we have learned at their feet. We shall always cherish their memory.

But to cherish their memory is not enough. We have enjoyed, we have basked in the sunshine of the Grand Army of the Republic, and the time has come when we as true Daughters of Union Veterans

of the Civil War are being asked to carry on, and today we pledge that their deeds shall be remembered unto every generation nor the memory of them forgotten.

The nights are fast falling, O silent Grand Army. Not long ere the last that are living today shall be folded so gently in mother earth's bosom and the living Grand Army shall all have passed away. But very humbly we, your Daughters, pledge ourselves in this sacred hour to hold high the torch that you have thrown to us. That we pledge. That we shall carry on.

Chairman GREENE. Next we will hear from Neil Cranmer, acting chaplain, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Mr. CRANMER. Mr. Chairman, members of the Grand Army of the Republic, friends all, in that great Book which is given to many of us as the rule and guide for our faith and our practice we read these words, "Now we are encompassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses." And that is literally true this afternoon, for here are Ulysses S. Grant, William Tecumseh Sherman, Phil Sheridan, and Thomas, and Hooker, and Meade, Rosecrans, Kilpatrick, and all of the other great generals. And even the great commander in chief of the boys in blue is here, Abraham Lincoln.

And not only are they here in spiritual presence today but the great rank and file of the Boys in Blue, most of whom never received a higher rank than that of a private soldier and without whom these matchless leaders would have failed utterly and miserably.

These are the men who removed that dark stain from the pages of American history—Negro slavery. They are the ones who preserved, please God for all time, our glorious constitutional Union. These are the ones who inculcated in the youth of American patriotism so that it was possible for us to win three wars following the Civil War—the Spanish-American, World War I and World War II.

I am reminded in this solemn presence of the obligation taken by every Son of a Union Veteran at the altar at the time of his initiation when he is told to keep green and sacred the memory of our fallen defenders. And so this afternoon I give you in closing these words:

Not gold but only men can make a nation strong and great,  
Men who for truth and honor's sake stand fast and suffer long,  
Brave men who work while others sleep, who dare while others fly,  
They build a nation's pillars deep and lift them to the sky.

Chairman GREENE. Next will be the national chaplain of the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Mary M. Mandeville.

Mrs. MANDEVILLE. It is with a feeling of reverence, humility and great gratitude that I bring a tribute to the members of the Grand Army of the Republic, those men and boys who answered to the call of their great President, President Lincoln, in 1861 to save their union and perpetuate the love of their flag. It is with gratitude that I pay homage to them. I feel that no greater sacrifice can be given than that a man lay down his life for his country, his family and his friends, and as chaplain of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War I wish to say that we pledge ourselves to support the Sons in their great duties to the Grand Army of the Republic and we pledge to dedicate ourselves to their memories anew until all time.

Chairman GREENE. Thank you, Mrs. Mandeville. That closes the tributes to the members of the Grand Army of the Republic.

(Music, United States Marine Band.)

(When Day Is Done, Huso Silver Tone Quartet.)

Chairman GREENE. I want to thank you for your attention in listening to the program today. We will close this memorial service with a benediction by Rev. James P. Yager, of St. Andrews Cathedral.

Reverend Mr. YAGER. Almighty Father, who bringest good from man's evil and who workest amid the carnage of war the goodness of Thy providence, we call down today upon this last remnant of a once valiant army Thine eternal benediction.

Once, Lord, they marched proud and invincible across the borders of a Nation—striving that that Nation and its people should remain one and free. Once too, they were young heroes, glorying in the name of their fatherland, eager for the battle and zealous for the fray. This land of ours is, under Thy gracious goodness, the heritage we have received from them—the legacy of their lives and their strivings.

Divine Creator, grant us who have succeeded them never to abandon the ideal for which these heroes fought; grant us to keep alive the ideals of their fatherland, the great principles of freedom that are written in their blood.

Heavenly Father, upon the ears now weak and aged once fell the prayer that this Nation, this Government of the people, by the people, and for the people shall not perish from the earth.

God, our Creator and Protector, teach us that we too must work for that same freedom; teach us that only in the observance of Thy laws, under the shadow of Thy wings, and in the embrace of Thy faith and Thy love can we save it from perishing.

Lord, King of the Universe, bless us and enlighten us, that we may keep alive what these men have kept from dying.

Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

(Taps, United States Marine Band.)

**SEMIOFFICIAL MEETING HELD IN THE BLACK AND  
SILVER ROOM, CIVIC AUDITORIUM, GRAND RAPIDS,  
MICH., TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1948, 8 P. M.**

Hon. Perry W. Greene, chairman, presiding.  
(Music, United States Marine Band.)

Chairman GREENE. Let me have your attention, please. This is the semiofficial meeting of the Grand Army of the Republic for the purpose of extending greetings to the members of the Grand Army of the Republic by you wonderful Auxiliary people here.

(Star-Spangled Banner, by the United States Marine Band.)

Chairman GREENE. We will have the invocation by the Rev. Harry Essrig, rabbi, Temple Emanuel Church.

Rabbi ESSRIG. Our God and God of our Fathers, we beseech Thy blessings on this assembly, upon the gallant sons of our Nation which defended her in the hour of crisis and upon their descendants who have held aloft the torch of freedom. We pray that Thou continue to grant long life and health to the beloved veterans of our country's grim struggle for peace and union.

Teach us how to fulfill the purposes for which they made such noble sacrifices, because Thou hast been with us and Thy goodness has kept us strong. The freedom which they won is still ours. Grant, O God, that the example of their devotion may move us to equal loyalty, to a pure and exalted patriotism. Instruct us in the art of living together, that we may keep America true to its faith and democracy. May we be dedicated to the great task remaining before us, that government of the people, by the people and for the people shall not perish from the earth. Amen.

Chairman GREENE. I am sorry. We were supposed to have a Macabbee Chorus here this evening. Many of them have colds so they could not be here. But at this time we will be pleased to hear a solo by Mrs. Rink, who will be accompanied by Mrs. Horace H. Cox.

(I Love You Truly, Mrs. Leona Rink.)

[Applause.]

Chairman GREENE. Thank you very much, Mrs. Rink. At this time we will have an address of welcome by Congressman Bartel J. Jonkman, Congressman of the Fifth District of Michigan. I think possibly Congressman Jonkman may extend greetings from the Congress of the United States also. Congressman Jonkman.

Mr. JONKMAN. Mr. Chairman, Veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic, ladies of the Auxiliaries, ladies and gentlemen, it is a great privilege and a high honor to extend greetings and welcome to you, and I may say I do say from the Congress of the United States that they are always at your service.

It is now four score and seven years ago that our Nation was plunged into a great Civil War, testing whether a nation conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created

equal could long endure. We are met tonight to honor the Grand Army of the Republic, the veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic who fought that war to a successful conclusion and ordained and established that this country shall endure.

The veterans are honoring us by their presence tonight. For 87 years it has been their privilege to see this Nation endure not only, but to grow, prosper, and develop until it is the greatest Nation on the face of the earth; and, ladies and gentlemen, this country, this Nation, must continue to endure.

I think most of us when we think of the Civil War at least often think of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address. Sometimes I almost feel that that address epitomizes the Civil War, and in the prayer we heard that wonderful phrase of Lincoln's of "government of the people, by the people and for the people." Too often when we hear that phrase, ladies and gentlemen, we think that they are to remind us of rights and privileges. Do you think that Abraham Lincoln had much in his mind about rights and privileges? I do not think so. I think he was concerned with duties and responsibilities.

Let me repeat to you, if I can, the last stately sentence of that classic address. "It is for us rather to be dedicated to the task"—remember "task"—"which they who fought here have thus far nobly advanced, that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion; that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain; that this Nation under God shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people, by the people and for the people shall not perish from the earth."

Time and time again he emphasizes duty and responsibility, and that is the crying need of the time. I sometimes wonder, while the struggle still is different, isn't it just as severe as it has been at any time in the last 87 years?

And, my friends, let me close with this statement: May this GAR encampment be an inspiration to all of us to develop the sense of duty and responsibility through which, and only through which, this Nation shall endure. [Applause.]

Chairman GREENE. Thank you, Congressman Jonkman. Again we are to have another address of welcome from a man whom I believe most of you know. He has been running these conventions and coming in contact with you people. The mayor of our city has a welcoming committee to take care of all these greetings. Therefore at this time I am going to call on Frank Whitwam, chairman of the convention committee of Grand Rapids, who will welcome you in behalf of the city of Grand Rapids.

Mr. WHITWAM. Mr. Chairman, comrades, ladies, and gentlemen, the first time I stood before this organization was 1 year ago at Cleveland in August, and I have been seeing a lot of you since you got here. I have been wondering—age seems to me to be more beautiful. It occurs to me you look so much better than you did in Cleveland and that you have given me such a nice reception—somebody back there is saying I am talking too loud or something. That cannot be me.

I appeared before one of your organizations, and I never would have believed there were so many fans on earth as there were waving in that room. It sounded to me like they might be hissing me, but I could not believe that possible. Anyway you didn't look so good.

Your make-up was absolutely ruined. At that time I had to make a lot of guaranties to the Grand Army of the Republic, and believe it or not, Miss Gillis made me guarantee the weather, and I had to put it in writing that every day would be a beautiful, cool day.

I am not making a speech tonight. I think everything is all right. In the beginning, Grand Rapids did not invite another convention to this city when you were invited. The mayor of Grand Rapids, George W. Welsh, who, unfortunately, is in Europe at this time, instructed me to bring the Grand Army back to Grand Rapids for its fourth visit.

We in Grand Rapids have a lot of conventions. We do not consider this a convention. This is a group of our friends coming back home. That is the way we feel about our State organization. That is the way we feel about you. We want you to have every comfort and every facility that the city can offer. When you are here the town is certainly yours. We will do everything in our power to make you have a good time. The mayor is most desirous that he could be here, but he is delayed on his European trip and won't be back for a week. Among his lesser worries was the fact that he could not lead Major Santelmann's band in one of his favorite pieces. I tell you, Major, he does feel bad about that too.

Anyway it is swell to have you here and I can say that I hope you will come again. If we get through this convention without Miss Gillis scolding me I will know that we have done a whale of a job, because, brother, she has made me live up to the letter about everything I even breathed, everything I even thought. She has it all on paper. And I hope that you are satisfied, and we are tickled to death to have you, especially you ladies here with us. We don't care much about the men other than the comrades. Of course they are our pals. We will do everything in the world to make them comfortable and happy. Thank you. [Applause.]

Miss CORA E. GILLIS (Secretary of the Grand Army of the Republic). I had a very dignified speech prepared for you tonight, but after what you just said I am not going to give that speech at all. When the committee came to Grand Rapids to arrange for the encampment Mr. Whitman said that when they came to Grand Rapids they presented flags to everybody else but they never gave one to the convention bureau. And every time we have been in the city and every time he would write me he would say, "Where is my flag?" Tonight, in honor of our Commander in Chief Robert M. Rownd, and in memory of my grandfather, Rev. D. D. Lowell, I am presenting you this flag for use at your home. [Applause.]

Mr. WHITWAM. Thank you very much.

(The Old Road - Mrs. Leona Rink.) [Applause.]

Chairman GREENE. Thank you, Mrs. Rink. It is customary at this time to have greetings extended from the national officers of the auxiliaries. At this time Grayce Vedetta, from Brooklyn, will extend the greetings to the G. A. R. as the national president of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Mrs. VEDETTA. Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, distinguished guests, ladies, and gentlemen, this is the highlight of every national president when she comes to her commander in chief to present a love gift. We of the Relief Corps have traveled side by

side with the Grand Army of the Republic for 65 years. With the passing of the Grand Army of the Republic the Woman's Relief Corps will grow stronger, perpetuating the memory of the men who 65 years ago chose our organization as their auxiliary; and tonight I bring to our commander in chief a check for the Southern Memorial fund and a check for the Grand Army of the Republic. The Woman's Relief Corps stand ready and willing for any call financially that the Grand Army of the Republic may make upon us. Comrade Penland, I take great pleasure in presenting to you these checks, \$350 for the Southern Memorial fund and \$1,000 for the Grand Army of the Republic. [Applause.]

Chairman GREENE. I am sure that is a nice sum of money. The next lady will present greetings from Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. Mrs. Irene Mangel, national president, Milwaukee, Wis.

Mrs. MANGEL. Mr. Chairman, distinguished guests, members of the allied organizations to the Grand Army of the Republic, and friends, tonight is the big night, the glorified night for each and every national president of each allied organization to the Grand Army of the Republic. This is the night that we as leaders of the various organizations allied to the Grand Army of the Republic are privileged and pleased and highly honored to pay tribute to our grandfathers, our fathers, and comrades of that fine Grand Army of the Republic.

They tell us to say it with flowers, but we want to say it with the kind of flowers that they may appreciate while we still have them with us. No greater honor, no finer benediction could come to any national organization or any local unit concerned in patriotic work than to have a Grand Army comrade present; and to be privileged to pay tribute tonight in tendering a check to the Grand Army of the Republic is indeed a very humble part of this encampment.

Pray God that in the years to come when we no longer have our boys who gave us this united Nation that we may see fit in their memory to place living memorials to them by giving and doing for our boys of the wars that have come since the Civil War, to those descendants of these fine Grand Army comrades who have preserved this Nation and kept Old Glory undefeated as their fathers willed them to do down through the years.

And, Comrade Penland, it is with deep and heartfelt gratitude that I present to you our usual check of \$1,000 tonight, a privilege that I feel honored to have a part in. [Applause.]

Chairman GREENE. If I can keep that money coming in I will be all right. Now you will hear from the national president of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Mrs. Anna B. Dolan, of Pittsburgh, Pa.

Mrs. DOLAN. Comrades and friends, it is indeed a pleasure for me to be present this evening. The other girls have all said they were happy to be here. They are no more happy than I.

We Daughters of Veterans have pledged ourselves to give whatever is needed by the Grand Army of the Republic. We stand back of that pledge full force, and now it is my pleasure, Comrade Penland, to give to you a check for \$1,000, and also a check [\$350] for the Southern Memorial fund. I also present to you a personal check for \$25 from the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War for yourself. [Applause.]

Just a moment. We were awfully sorry that Comrade Rownd, our commander in chief, has been very ill for several months. We also have a personal check for \$25 for Comrade Rownd which we will hand over to Sister Cora Gillis, who will see that he gets it on her return home.

Chairman GREENE. Thank you very much. Next we will hear from the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Charles H. E. Moran, commander in chief, Holyoke, Mass.

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Chairman, comrades of the Grand Army, distinguished guests, and friends all, it is my happy privilege to bring to the members of the Grand Army of the Republic the greetings and best wishes from the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and to give to them our check [\$500]. We stand ready at any time, if needed, to give anything that may be requested of us by the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Chairman GREENE. Next we shall hear from the national president of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans, Katharine L. Joyce, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Mrs. JOYCE. Mr. Chairman, national officers, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, and friends of the Grand Army of the Republic, this to me is a most honored occasion to come before you tonight representing my national organization. We are the Auxiliary to the Sons of these noble men, the veterans of the Civil War, and we are proud and happy to serve their Sons.

We are missing Commander in Chief Rownd tonight, whom I know from the last time he served in my city of Pittsburgh as commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. I regret deeply that he has not been able to be with us during this year. However, the national heads of the various organizations led by the Grand Army of the Republic have carried on to the best of their ability, and we are proud to be members of this family.

As national president of the auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans it gives me pleasure to present to the commander in chief of the Grand Army our check of \$500, which I am glad to present at this time. [Applause.]

Chairman GREENE. Thank you. Now I know you will like to listen to the response from Past Commander in Chief John H. Grate. Mr. Grate.

Past Commander in Chief GRATE. All I can do is thank you heartily for all the checks you have given, and I assure you they will be used for good patriotic purposes to help the cause along. Thank you.

Chairman GREENE. Thank you, Mr. Grate. Now we will hear some music from this fine United States Marine Band again.

(The band played and sang, Major Santelmann leading the singing, the following number:)

Old soldiers never die,  
They live forever.  
Old soldiers never die,  
Let come what may,  
Proudly we march along,  
Proudly we say:  
Old soldiers never die,  
They simply fade away.

(Upon being encored, the number was repeated.)

Chairman GREENE. Thank you, Major Santelmann, for your Marine Band. We will hear the benediction by the Very Reverend H. Ralph Higgins, dean, St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral.

Dean HIGGINS. Unto God's gracious mercy and protection we commit you. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up the light of His countenance upon you, and give you His blessing and His peace this night and forever more.

(Taps, United States Marine Band.)

**CAMPFIRE HELD IN THE BLACK AND SILVER ROOM  
OF THE CIVIC AUDITORIUM, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.,  
WEDNESDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 29, 1948**

Hon. Perry W. Greene, chairman, presiding.  
(Music, U. S. Marine Band.)

Chairman GREENE. Members of the Grand Army of the Republic and of the affiliated societies; I am certainly pleased that there is such a crowd here. I am sorry that we are not in the main auditorium. I understand there are people who could not get in.

This is the opening of the campfire of the Grand Army of the Republic. The invocation will be delivered by the Rev. Paul E. Robinson, pastor of the Valley Avenue Methodist Church.

Reverend ROBINSON. Our Heavenly Father, we pause at this hour to thank Thee for this world that Thou hast made. Thou hast made the day and Thou hast made the night, and for the work that Thou dost give us to do during the day, we thank Thee. And for the evening and its rest, and the inspiration of the day, we thank Thee. We thank Thee for the inspiration that is in our hearts this night; and we give Thee the praise, our Father, for the love that Thou dost create within our hearts. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

(Old Soldiers Never Die, U. S. Marine Band.)

(The number was repeated upon request.)

(Pledge of allegiance by the audience.)

(Star Spangled Banner, U. S. Marine Band.)

Chairman GREENE. We are now privileged to hear an address by Mr. Frank M. Sparks. Mr. Sparks is a resident of Grand Rapids, who has been in the newspaper business for some 50 years. He was the editor of the local daily paper for many, many years. We of Grand Rapids know him and love him very dearly. We veterans of the later wars know that he has been one of the best friends the veterans have ever had. He is a man who has always kept his hand on the pulse of the affairs of the Nation, and I am sure you are going to enjoy his address. Mr. Sparks.

Mr. SPARKS. Senator [saluting the members of the Grand Army of the Republic on the platform] and ladies and gentlemen, I thoroughly understand that it is not militarily correct to salute when you are uncovered and without a uniform, but I know of no other way in which I could pay my tribute of respect and veneration to these old gentlemen here tonight, not only for their years but for what they have done for me and for you and for all the rest of the people of this country and for the world, than by saluting. So that is why I did it, if you will excuse me for my failure in being militarily correct.

These men are here at this time "tenting on the old campground." We love to think of them as tenting on the old campground when they come to Grand Rapids, because they have been here—this is either the fourth or fifth time. We are always glad to have them

come. Our only regret always is that each time they have come there have been fewer of them. We wish that we could hope that they would come many times more, but now we know that they have decided that one more encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic is all that will ever be held. But we of Michigan know that the last member of the GAR is gone. Not one living member left from Michigan.

We are proud and honored here in Grand Rapids too, as we have been many times before, to have the Marine Band here. I was thrilled as I always am when the Marine Band played the Star Spangled Banner, because I know of no musical organization in the world that can just quite make the creeps run up and down my spine as can this band when it plays our national anthem. [Applause.] And I say to you, ladies and gentlemen, when that time comes that we fail to feel those creeps up and down our spines, then we may know without being told that this Republic is tottering to its fall.

Times have gone by—I hope forever—when some people claimed that because the Star Spangled Banner was a little difficult to sing we should change it and have some other sort of thing for a national anthem. Some even wanted to make it George Cohan's Grand Old Rag—the Grand Old Flag. That was sacrilege to me, because I have the same respect for the flag of my country that I have for these men who so dutifully and bravely defended it in its hour of need. Not these men here alone, but those who come after in the great wars of more recent years—those who are my comrades of the United Spanish War Veterans, those veterans of the First World War, those other veterans of this most recent World War. These men here of the Civil War, of the GAR, these men made us a united nation.

But I wonder if they alone did that. Didn't their sons and grandsons, and the sons and grandsons of the South, make this a united nation? When on the battlefields in France and Germany and the islands of the Pacific and wherever else they may have fought—fought and died shoulder to shoulder, of the South and the North, the white, the red, the black, and the yellow, the Protestant, the Catholic, the Gentile, and the Jew, all found that after all they were just American citizens, all molded in the same form, all capable and eager to defend their country and to make it a truly united nation. [Applause.]

And now having gone through these two great world wars, to some it seems at least that we are perhaps being faced with the threat of still a third great war—world war. I cannot make myself believe that. I don't want to make myself believe it. I refuse to permit myself to believe it. I cannot think that the people of this country and the people of this world want to go through another and more awful conflagration than those which have already passed and gone.

But I do want to remind you, remind myself, remind those who have to do with the affairs of this country that while we may all hope and pray and believe that we have seen our last great war, the best insurance for that peace which we hope for lies in the preparedness which this country never has known up to now. And I am happy when I read there that something is being done—maybe not enough, but something at least is being done to be prepared in case somebody does want to try his hand at us again. You know there is an old saying—it is a rough old saying but it nevertheless has its point—an old, old saying that God looks after idiots, drunkards, and the United

States of America. When I look back at our past I wonder if there is not an almighty lot of truth in that statement, because I am just as thoroughly convinced as anybody could possibly be that it is only the hand of God in the last two great wars which saved this country from invasion and possibly being wiped off the map of the world.

Let's take the last one, just for a second. After Dunkerque, not a thing remained, not an obstacle remained to keep Hitler and his hordes out of the British Isles—one division only of Canadian troops armed and equipped to prevent an invasion. And, had they invaded the British Isles, military men tell us that 2 weeks would have been sufficient and they would have been conquered. Having conquered England and the British Isles, who was going to prevent them from coming over here? We had nothing to stop them. They would have come. We had nothing on land if they landed to stop them. They would have walked over us just like nobody's business.

There was a time, you know, back in 1914—between 1914 and 1917—when Europe was at war and we were threatened with it; but before we had entered, when our then Secretary of State protested against any preparation for the conflict. He said what?—"If we should be attacked, a million men would spring to arms overnight." You who fought in the First World War and those of you who fought in the Second World War know what a puerile force a million men would have been. We only had something like 15,000,000 men and women in this last World War.

A million men spring to arms! What kind of arms? The time has long since gone when papa could grab the old fowling piece off the mantel and go out and lie behind a stone wall or stump and fight off marching men down the road. That time never will come again. Long since gone. These men here fought in a measure and to a degree a more bitter war than did those who came in the last two great wars, because they fought breast to breast with the enemy; they used the clubbed musket and the bayonet, their fists, or anything else they had to use, while in the last wars those who did the fighting never saw what they were shooting at and never saw whence came the missiles which landed among them. These men, in a measure—these old men here—fought a more bitter and more personal war than did those of this last great conflict.

Never has this country been prepared for the conflagration, for the attack or anything else. Let me point out a few facts on this score. After the Revolutionary War, we set up an Army to defend this new country—an Army, mind you, of how many men? Eighty; ten times eight. That was the Army we set up to defend our new liberty and our new country.

Along comes the War of 1812, and we had then 150,000 half-trained men. And we boasted when that war came that we would march into Canada and take Canada without firing a shot. What happened? Instead of marching into Canada and taking it without firing a shot, our enemy went into Washington and burned the Capitol for us. Well, largely because we had a Navy of privateersmen; and I am very proud of the fact that all my people were shipbuilders and sea captains, and they built ships and they fought ships in that war. I never have dared to look up quite their record, because it is a very short step between privateersmen and pirates. I don't know just

how many of them may have walked the plank. But, at any rate, that was largely the means by which we got away with that war.

Came the Mexican War. Still unprepared. We knew it was bound to come. We were unprepared, and when the war closed we had only 13,500 effectives under arms. Luckily, Mexico was not ready for the war business.

Along came the Civil War, and we had a large army then of 17,000 men. And we had known for several years that we were going to have a conflict, a suicidal and fratricidal conflict right here on our own soil. Yet we got together only 17,000 men to start off with. Well, fortunately, due to the heroism and determination and what have you on both sides, but due largely to the extra resources we had on the northern side, and due once more, I think, to the hand of God, the Union was preserved and we went on from there.

Later on came the Spanish War. We certainly had an Army ready for that one, an Army of 28,000 men. And we went into the Philippine War with the left-overs from the Spanish War with 125,000 men. We got away with that.

Along came the First World War, which broke out in Europe, you will remember, in 1914. And we waited for 3 years before we got into that mess. You know how many men we had in our Army in 1914? Oh, we were loaded for bear on that one. We had a Regular Army in 1914 of 25,000 men, with ammunition for 4 days. [Laughter.] We had 21 planes, airplanes, and 568 field pieces with ammunition for 2 days. We certainly were loaded for that one. Well, when we finally entered it in 1917, we had only 135,000 men. We had to start from there. By the draft, by volunteering, and by other means at our disposal, we had to build an Army and train an Army before we could get into the conflict in real, earnest.

Fortunate indeed were we then that, after the first gas attack which the Germans let loose, they did not follow up the advantage they had, because after that first gas attack the way was wide open for them to march to the channel and go across into England; and, from there, we don't know where they might have gone. Again I say it was the hand of God which prevented them from knowing the advantage they had and from following up that advantage.

1941! We had known for 2 years at least that eventually we were going to be in that one. There was no argument about it at all. It was just as certain as that the sun will rise tomorrow. As a matter of fact, I think I may now tell, without violating any confidences, of a little personal experience which I brought about, and I do not say this boastfully. I say it as a matter of information.

I happen to be a member of the American Society of Newspaper Editors. We hold a convention in Washington each April. In April 1939, just a few months before the war let loose in Europe, we went down there as usual. One of the features of that convention always is an off-the-record session with the President at the White House. We went out to the White House this time, and the custom had been for those who had questions to ask of the President to write them out on a piece of paper or a card and give him an opportunity to look them over in advance and then reply to those he desired to reply to and to tell us that the others he had no comment on.

Well, the President was a little peeved at us that particular night, and he started in to scold us pretty much. It looked to me after awhile that we were going to get very far that night; we were going to waste our time and the President's time. So, after awhile, I got up a little courage—maybe some of it was artificial, but anyway it worked. I got up, and I think this is the exact language that I used. I said, Mr. President, will you excuse me for interrupting you? I realize that it is untactful and highly impolite and improper, but it seems to me that we are just wasting your time and our time here tonight in the manner in which we are going on. Now there is one thing, Mr. President, in which we are interested, in which our readers are interested, in which the people of this country and this world are interested. You know more about that than we possibly can know. I think if you will discuss that proposition; (that problem) with us as long as you please—and, of course, off the record—that you will be very helpful to us and enable us to be helpful to you, perhaps. I am speaking now of the foreign situation. Do you think that there will be a war in Europe; and, if you think there will be a war in Europe, what do you think of the chances that we will become involved? Mr. President, again excuse me, but if you will talk on that subject I am sure we will all be appreciative and will not waste your time and ours.

"Well," the President said, "I don't know." There were probably 150 of us there from all over the United States. "I don't know whether that would be proper for me to discuss or not. This list of questions has been handed to me." He said, "What do you think, Dave?" and he turned to Dave Lawrence, who had been handing these questions up to him. He said, "What do you think, Dave?" Dave said, "I think Mr. Sparks is entirely right," and everybody there kind of applauded a little. And the President said, "All right."

Well, the substance of about 45 minutes' talk, the most interesting I ever heard him give, and I had known him since 1920 down to the day of his death—it was the most interesting talk I ever heard. The substance of it was this: That he thought the chances were 50-50 that the war would break out in Europe, probably very soon; and that if it did break out in Europe, the chances were 50-50 that we would become involved.

Well, everybody who knows how the President talked on vital matters of that sort knew that he was being extremely conservative, and that he knew very well that war was very imminent; and that he knew, if war did break out in Europe, that we most certainly would become involved. So, we had quite a lot of notice about that war coming on; and in 1941, when Pearl Harbor was finally attacked, it caught us sound asleep with 165,000 men in the Regular Establishment, with 101 bombers; and after the Japs got through with us at Pearl Harbor we had no fleet in the Pacific, nor had we any bombers after Pearl Harbor and the Philippine attack. We had no bombers anywhere—only one or two left in the whole United States. Our Pacific Fleet was wiped out. Not a thing there to prevent the Japs from coming over and landing on our west coast; and if they had done that, what were we then going to do to prevent them from coming right on to Grand Rapids, or Washington, or Bangor, Maine, or wherever they wanted to come? Nothing.

Again I say God looks after idiots, drunkards, and the United States of America, and He certainly looked after us then. So I say I am very happy, indeed, to know that we are doing something now to prepare for it; and that man and that woman, and that boy or that girl who protests against a military training in this country now, whoever he or she may be, or whatever religious sect or otherwise he may belong to, is a traitor to his country and is not a worthy citizen of it. [Great applause.]

Well, when I was asked to speak here tonight I said, "For heaven's sake, what am I going to talk about?" And the man who invited me to come said, "Why, we don't want you to talk very long." So I said, "Well, of course, I never am over 4 hours in any of my talks." "Well," he said, "three hours and a half probably will be enough this time." I said, "What about?" He said. "Just kind of reminisce a little bit for these old boys."

He must have thought that I was older than I really am. I was born at a time when these men back from the battlefields of the South had it still fresh in their minds what they had been through and why; and they, unlike those of more recent wars, were perfectly willing and even glad to tell of their experiences, and I used to have a lot of fun as a boy listening to the talk.

I had three uncles who were with Sheridan, great-uncles they were who were with Sheridan, who went down through the Shenandoah; and I used to love to get those old fellows started, especially one who was a big, heavy fellow. Another was a little fellow. The heavy fellow said, "If I were to pick an army to do hard marching, hard fighting, hard riding, I would not have a man in it who weighed over 140 pounds." And I said, "Why?" And he said, "Because my horse with my weight was always broken down, while Charlie's horse would carry him along day after day in that campaign because he didn't weigh so much." Well, I am afraid I weigh about 145 stripped now, but I didn't weigh quite that much back some years ago.

Well, I remember those fellows talking, and I learned to have a great respect for them and a reverence for them, and I learned from them to love my country. Some years ago, when I was arguing with a superintendent of schools in one of the larger cities of Michigan about the desirability of the ROTC in the high schools, he being vigorously opposed to it and I being very vigorously for it, he finally said to me, "Well, Sparks, for Heaven's sake, why are you so insistent about this?" I said, "Because I had military training when I was in high school." He said, "What good did it do you?" I said, "Sir, if it didn't teach me anything else, it did teach me to take off my hat when the flag of my country went by." [Applause.]

I am glad to note that the Sons of Union Veterans have asked the Sons of Confederate Veterans to cooperate in keeping this a united Nation. And where they should begin, my friends, where they should begin is with the youth of this land, in the schools and the churches, wherever youth gather, and I regret greatly—and I think it was an oversight which well might have been corrected, had the school system, the school authorities of Grand Rapids taken it upon themselves when these six old veterans came here to town to have as many of the youth of our schools come down to see them as possibly could, to talk with them, to learn why it was they went to war, and what they accomplished in it. [Applause.]

I never miss an opportunity when I am talking to the youth, and I give quite a good many commencement addresses, to pour it on, ladies and gentlemen, and I mean pour it on. [Applause.] And anybody who doesn't like to have me pour it on is always privileged, even yet in this country, to get up and walk out. [Applause.]

I note, too, that the Sons of Union Veterans are urging the Congress to take better care of the battlefield of Gettysburg. It so happens that I am rather familiar with that battlefield. I went down there in 1913 at the time of the first Blue and Gray reunion on the fiftieth anniversary of that battle. That was the most delightful, the most interesting, and the most educational assignment I ever had in my 50 years in the newspaper business. Fifty-five thousand veterans of the two armies, the Blue and the Gray—only men who had fought at Gettysburg—were present. And the things I saw and the things I heard there among those old boys—they averaged then about 73 years of age—were really worth while, worth anybody's while.

For example, I ran across an old Confederate veteran who could neither read nor write, and I got to talking with him. I asked him if he was in Pickett's charge, and he said he was. I said, "Will you tell me what your thoughts were and what you did in that charge?" He said, "Yes, if you will go with me, we will go over the ground. I think I can remember very closely just where I went." So we went up to Seminary Ridge, and he walked down there. He said, "Our orders were to keep going forward and closing to the right, so that we marched rather diagonally across the fields there. We came down into the valley. You couldn't see your hand before your face for the smoke which filled it. We crossed the road; we climbed the fence there into the wheat field. We went up through that. We came to a stone wall. I got up on the stone wall; and, Lord God Almighty, there was every Yank in the world right in front of me." [Laughter.]

And then he started down very quickly, and he said, "Mr. Sparks, this is a wonderful occasion here this week. And did you ever think, did you ever stop to think, that this is the only country in the whole wide world which can put on a thing like this reunion?" And I hadn't stopped to think that. I learned it from him. It was the only country in the whole world that could stage a thing like that.

I went down there again in 1938, the seventy-fifth anniversary of that battle, when they had the second Blue and Gray reunion. That was vastly different. There they invited all the veterans of both armies, whether they had fought at Gettysburg or not, to come. Only about 2,000 were present, so much had those two great armies shrunken in 25 years—from 55,000 who fought at Gettysburg alone to 2,000 wherever they fought, who had been members of those armies.

On the 4th day of July 1913 they staged a reproduction of Pickett's charge. At the Bloody Angle was old General Sickles seated in his carriage, with his two corps again, the men who had defended the Bloody Angle, and in the carriage with him was Mrs. Pickett and the widow of General Longstreet—the wife of General Pickett and the widow of General Longstreet.

And down through there came the remnants of Pickett's brigade. One old fellow had on a battered, tattered, stained old butternut uniform, with a ragged old blanket strapped onto him, his haversack on his shoulders, with his old flopping gray hat, a musket on his

shoulder, his feet wrapped up in burlap, and a corncob pipe in his mouth. I have a picture of him at home and his name. I have forgotten his name now. But he said that was the identical uniform, haversack, blanket, musket, hat, and corncob pipe that he had in Pickett's charge, and that he had bound up his feet in burlap as nearly as he could remember as they were bound up when he made the charge.

And that remnant of Pickett's brigade came up the Bloody Angle where they met the Iron Brigade which had defended the stone wall there. And there was another old Union veteran, a Zouave, with a Zouave uniform, from New Jersey. And he was clad in the identical uniform, as nearly as he could, and the same equipment that he had when they stopped Pickett's charge there at the Bloody Angle.

Well, from those two old fellows I learned another great lesson—a great many lessons, in fact—and I learned again the truth of what that first man had taught me; that no country in the whole wide earth except this could stage a thing of that sort.

You know, ladies and gentlemen, the old song that used to be sung after the Civil War and during the Civil War—I mentioned it when I started out—Tenting on the Old Campground, and the last stanza of that:

Many are the hearts that are weary tonight,  
Wishing for the war to cease.  
Many are the hearts looking for the right,  
To see the dawn of peace.

Peace, ladies and gentlemen, peace for all the world, peace for all its people, peace for all time.

I thank you. [Great applause.]

Chairman GREENE. Thank you, Mr. Sparks. I would like to read a telegram just received, addressed to the Grand Army of the Republic:

The United Spanish War Veterans send their love and respect to the grand boys of 1861 to 1865 who have left us a wonderful heritage of patriotic Americanism. We thank you for the example of loyalty to the principles and ideals of the Republic you have at all times exemplified. This Nation owes all of you a debt of eternal gratitude. God bless and keep you all.

CHARLES R. BAREFOOT,  
*Commander in Chief, United Spanish War Veterans.*

(The junior choir of the Community A. M. E. Church, Harold Murphy directing, sang Tramping and Turtle Dove, and were enthusiastically applauded by the audience.)

Chairman GREENE. Thank you very much. Now we can just imagine ourselves sitting about the campfire reminiscing about some of the places that these members of the Grand Army of the Republic have been. Possibly we can get them to say a few words. Comrade Penland, do you want to say a few words or sing a song? I understand you are pretty good at dancing and singing.

Commander in Chief PENLAND. Comrades, I have caught a very bad cold. I don't know whether I can get through with what I want to say hardly. I have had this bad cold several days now. It don't seem to get any better.

Just before the close of this last war I had an invitation to go to the launching of a ship at Portland, Oreg.—Kaiser's shipyard—and I had over a week's time before I was to be there. Wherever I go they most always ask me to give a little talk or sing—I do a little of

both. And what little time I had I used in putting together the best I could what I was going to say. I thought I had something that would fit in fairly good, and that is what I will try and relate to you now:

May God speed and guide this ship to victory for America. As you sail the ocean far and wide may you be a sailing memory dedicated to the wars of the past and the war of the present day, to both those dead and living.

I only wish that my age and health would permit me to accompany this ship on the high seas, but as that is impossible I am glad to know that the flag that I love and fought for will wave over this ship in victory, the flag that has never known defeat, and with God's guidance it never shall.

Dear Flag, wave on and on to victory. The flag of my country, devoutly I love it. I love its stars and its stripes, and its square field of blue. The everlasting mountains and the blue sky above it are enshrined in my soul as a part of it, too.

When you were a schoolboy did you ever turn and feel that swelling in your heart that should forever and ever remain? Pearl Harbor—yes; Pearl Harbor—like the wars of the past and the war of today, will go down in history never, no, never, to be forgotten. Pearl Harbor!

[Applause.]

Chairman GREENE. Don't you wish that you could do that at his age? I wonder if there are any of the other members who would like to say a few words? I guess not. They have had quite a tough time today; most of them are a little bit tired. So I think we will conclude this meeting now.

I am very happy to have been able to preside at your meetings. I hope you have borne with me. This is the last time I will appear before you. I hope you will all have a good time. I hope that the convention comes back at some time.

At this time we will have the benediction by Rev. Charles T. Doolittle, chaplain of the soldiers' facility here at Grand Rapids.

Mr. DOOLITTLE. Now may the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father, the communion and fellowship of the Holy Spirit, remain and abide with us and with all whom we love. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom be glory and honor, both now and even forevermore. Amen.

(Taps, United States Marine Band.)

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GENERAL ORDERS  
No. 1  
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HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Jamestown, N. Y., September 5, 1947.*

I. Having been elected commander in chief by the Eighty-first National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, I hereby assume command.

II. The business office will continue to be located at 43 Adams Street, Jamestown, N. Y., as in the past year, where all official communications should be addressed to the adjutant general.

III. Through a resolution passed at the eighty-first encampment the offices of adjutant general and quartermaster general have been combined at the salary for one officer, and the following appointments are hereby announced:

Adjutant and quartermaster general, John C. Adams, Jonesboro, Ind.

National patriotic instructor, William H. Osborn, Joplin, Mo.

National chief of staff, John S. Dumser, Oakland, Calif.

IV. Full information regarding resolutions passed at the eighty-first encampment will be promulgated in future general orders.

ROBERT M. ROWND,  
*Commander in Chief.*

JOHN C. ADAMS,  
*Adjutant and Quartermaster General.*

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GENERAL ORDERS  
No. 2  
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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Jamestown, N. Y., December 10, 1947.*

I. At the Eighty-first National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic held in Cleveland, Ohio, August 10 to 14, 1947, the following named comrades were elected to offices designated:

Commander in chief, Robert M. Rownd, Ripley, N. Y.

Senior vice commander in chief, Theodore A. Penland, Portland, Oreg.

Junior vice commander in chief, John R. Bennett, Waynesfield, Ohio.

Chaplain in chief, John H. Grate, Atwater, Ohio.

Secretary (elected permanently in 1946), Miss Cora E. Gillis, 43 Adams Street, Jamestown, N. Y.

### NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

California and Nevada: Charles L. Chappel, Long Beach, Calif.

Colorado and Wyoming: Robert T. Bryan, Boulder, Colo.

Connecticut: Charles Douglass, New Haven, Conn.

Illinois: Hiram H. Shumate, Riverton, Ill.

Indiana: Frank J. Barton, Knox, Ind.

Iowa: James P. Martin, Sutherland, Iowa.

Kansas: Alonzo McMurphy, Sterling, Kans.

Kentucky: Robert Barrett, Sr., Princeton, Ky.

Maine: Zachary McLaughlin, Phillips, Maine.

Michigan: Orlando LeValley, Caro, Mich.

Missouri: William H. Osborn, Joplin, Mo.

Nebraska: Michael Bondoll, Beatrice, Nebr.

New York: James A. Hard, Rochester, N. Y.

Ohio: John R. Bennett, Waynesfield, Ohio.

Oklahoma: Sylvester Patterson, Tonkawa, Okla.

Oregon: Theodore A. Penland, Portland, Oreg.

Washington and Alaska: Hiram R. Gale, Seattle, Wash.

Wisconsin: L. A. Wilcox, Cadott, Wis.

II. The following appointments on the staff of the commander in chief were announced:

Adjutant and quartermaster general, John C. Adams, Jonesboro, Ind.

National patriotic instructor: William H. Osborn, Joplin, Mo.

National chief of staff, John S. Dumser, Oakland, Calif.

III. The national headquarters will continue at 43 Adams Street, Jamestown, N. Y., where all official communications to the commander in chief and adjutant and quartermaster generals should be addressed.

IV. As usual, the executive committee of the national council of administration will consist of the commander in chief, senior vice commander in chief, adjutant and quartermaster generals, and three members from the department representatives on the national council of administration. The following are appointed to serve with the officers named:

Hiram H. Shumate, Riverton, Ill.

Orlando LeValley, Caro, Mich.

Charles L. Chappel, Long Beach, Calif.

V. All requisitions for supplies must be sent to the quartermaster general, John C. Adams, room 430, State House, Indianapolis, Ind., with remittances therefor made payable to the National Grand Army of the Republic.

VI. The following amendments to the rules and regulations were adopted:

Chapter IV, Article V, section 1: "The national officers of the Grand Army of the Republic, except the adjutant general, the quartermaster general, and the national patriotic instructor, shall be elected annually by ballot at the stated meeting of the national encampment, and, providing no quorum is present, officers shall continue and succeed in office as provided by chapter III, paragraph 2 of article 6, section 2 of the rules and regulations as passed in 1922 and any amendments thereto. It is further provided that the surviving members may hold one or more of the elective offices. All articles, sections, or parts thereof in conflict hereto are hereby eliminated."

The following resolutions were adopted:

"Whereas the Department of Minnesota has reported that on the 4th day of June 1947, it had voted to close the department and wind up its affairs; therefore be it

*Resolved*, That in closing the Department of Minnesota the action taken by its department be approved, ratified, and confirmed."

"That since the Department of Pennsylvania has had no commander for more than a year, and has no member in physical condition to hold such an office, it is voted to close the Department of Pennsylvania, and the remaining member be made a member at large under national."

"That the secretary, Cora E. Gillis, be and she is hereby authorized and directed to investigate and find a place for the final disposition and future ownership of the property and archives of the Grand Army of the Republic, the same to be approved by the commander in chief."

"That in providing for the disposition and future ownership of the property of the Grand Army of the Republic it now be declared by the national encampment assembled that the event on which such disposition shall become effective is on the death of the last surviving comrade, at which time the ownership of the property and archives shall become vested."

#### RESOLUTION OF THANKS:

"Whereas the Grand Army of the Republic is meeting for the first time in 46 years in the city of Cleveland, Ohio, in its eighty-first national encampment, be it

*Resolved*, That we express our sincere thanks to the city of Cleveland through its mayor, Hon. Thomas Burke, and to Commissioner Paul Hurd of the Cleveland Public Auditorium and the chief of police and safety departments for making our encampment such a success, and for all of the many kindnesses shown to us while in your city this week; and be it further

*Resolved*, That we again tender our thanks to the President of the United States for his message and to the members of Congress and the Senate for sending the United States Marine Band to us once more, and to Maj. William F. Santelmann and his boys for their wonderful and inspiring music; and be it further

*Resolved*, That the courtesy shown to us by Gen. Omar Bradley in sending us Dr. Timberlake and his assistants be gratefully acknowledged; and be it further

"Resolved, That we express our thanks to Mr. Chester Koch and to Judge Arthur Day for their untiring efforts in our behalf, and to the press of the city of Cleveland for their generous publicity; and be it further

"Resolved, That we express our deepest thanks to Mrs. Edith B. Nile, past national president of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War for the effort she made in our behalf."

VIII. Since there seems to be some misunderstanding about conventions after the Grand Army of the Republic ceases to meet, we again call your attention to the resolution adopted at Indianapolis, Indiana, in 1946, which resolution has been adopted by nearly all the Allied organizations.

"Realizing that the time is not far off when our encampments will be ended, it is our earnest wish that our allied organizations continue to hold their annual conventions together.

"We therefore ask, that as a memorial to the Grand Army of the Republic you continue to meet at the same time and place and suggest that the incoming and outgoing presidents or presiding officers act as a committee to make the arrangements for future national conventions, when the Grand Army of the Republic cease to meet."

IX. Department secretaries are requested to forward to national headquarters promptly, notice of the death of any of their members with date of death, military record, and Grand Army service for publication in general orders.

X. Department secretaries are requested to forward to this office copies of all general orders issued in your departments and if journals are still issued please send a copy of same to this office.

XI. At the semiofficial meeting in Cleveland the following gifts were received from the allied organizations to assist the Grand Army in carrying on their work: National Woman's Relief Corps, \$1,000.00 for the general fund and \$250 for the southern memorial fund; Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, \$1,000; Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, \$1,000 for the general fund and \$250 for the southern memorial fund; Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, \$500; Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of Civil War, \$500. To the members of these various organizations we wish to express our sincere thanks, for without your assistance we would be unable to carry on.

XII. Especial thanks are also due the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War for their generosity in paying the hotel expenses of all comrades and their escorts. To the national aides of this organization, who made this possible, our deepest appreciation.

XIII. The commander in chief wishes to express his deepest appreciation to his comrades for once more electing him to this high office and pledges his untiring efforts in the performance of his duties.

XIV. The commander in chief wishes to thank all his friends who so kindly remembered him on his one hundred third birthday. The cards and telegrams were deeply appreciated.

XV. To the national presidents of the Auxiliary and allied orders the commander in chief wishes to express his hope that your year may be pleasant and that your organizations may grow in interest and numbers during your administration.

XVI. As we near the Christmas season may we remember to give thanks to Him, whose birth we celebrate, for the many blessings we have received and may our prayers be for the everlasting peace to all the world. May your Christmas be merry, and your New Year one of happiness and prosperity.

By command of

ROBERT M. ROWND,  
*Commander in Chief*

JOHN C. ADAMS,  
*Adjutant and Quartermaster General.*

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#### IN MEMORIAM

#### CONNECTICUT

Comrade Hiram Davis, senior vice department commander, died in office, at his home in Ridgefield, Conn., in September of 1947. Comrade Davis enlisted October 11, 1864, in Troop H, Twenty-fifth New York Volunteer Cavalry, and had served as department senior vice commander since 1942. He was a member of Moore-White Post 18 of Danbury, Conn.

**ILLINOIS**

Comrade Daniel A. Wedge, passed away on October 26, 1947, at his home in Aurora, Ill., at the age of 105 years. He enlisted in the Eighth Illinois Volunteer Infantry when 19 years old and served throughout the war. He was the last surviving member of post 20 at Aurora, Ill.

**KENTUCKY**

Comrade Robert Alsip passed away on September 13, at his home in Woodbine, Ky., at the age of 100. He enlisted at the age of 16 in the Kentucky Volunteer Infantry and later in the Thirteenth Kentucky Volunteer Cavalry, taking part in campaigns in Kentucky, Tennessee and Virginia. He was discharged in time to return home for his eighteenth birthday. Comrade Alsip joined the Department of Kentucky Grand Army of the Republic in 1939.

**MAINE**

Comrade Melvin S. Jellison, department commander, died in office September 10, 1947. He was a member of B. H. Beale Post No. 12 of Bangor, Maine, and would have been 101 years of age on November 3, 1947. At the age of 17 he enlisted in the Sixth Maine Regiment, Company B, and served 3 years, being mustered out in 1865.

Comrade Zachary T. McLaughlin passed away on November 7, 1947, at the age of 99. He was a member of James A. Cushman Post No. 87 of Phillips, Maine, and had succeeded as department commander on the death of Past Commander in Chief George H. Jones. He again filled the office of department commander on the death of Commander Melvin Jellison. Comrade McLaughlin enlisted at the age of 15 in the Thirteenth Maine Volunteers just a short time before the war ended, but he served with the army in the South for nearly a year. Comrade McLaughlin was the last member of the Grand Army of the Republic in the State of Maine, thus closing the Department.

**OKLAHOMA**

Comrade Sylvester S. Patterson, department commander of Oklahoma, died in office October 30, 1947, aged 99 years. He was born in Cambridge, Ohio, on December 6, 1848, and first served with the Union Army as a messenger boy at the age of 15, his first assignment being to deliver a message to the commander of the Union Army at Winchester, 20 miles distant. He was stopped three times but delivered the message safely. He later enlisted in Company I, One Hundred Seventy-sixth Volunteer Infantry of Ohio. He was a member of the Odd Fellows and thirty-second degree Mason and had served as department commander for more than 10 years. Burial was at Taylorville, Ill., his old home, with services conducted by the American Legion and VFW posts.

**WISCONSIN**

Comrade Charles L. Hooker, assistant adjutant general, died in office October 27, at his home in Virginia, Minn., having passed away in his sleep. He was born April 3, 1840, and was believed to have been the last survivor of Wisconsin's famous Civil War "Iron Brigade." He served for 4 years and 66 days, and was a past department commander of the Grand Army of the Republic of Wisconsin.

Comrade Ansel Goolsbey passed away at his home in Chetek, Wis., at the age of 100 years. At the time of his death he was serving as department senior vice commander, and was the last survivor of Albert Weatherby Post of Chetek. He served in Company C Seventh Minnesota Volunteer Infantry.

Comrade Josiah Cass passed away December 1, 1947, at his home in Eau Claire, Wis., at the age of 100 years. He was a member of the Seventh Wisconsin Regiment, which lost more men proportionately than any other unit in the Union Army. He was captured and spent some time in a southern prison before overpowering a guard and escaping.

**PENNSYLVANIA**

Mrs. A. T. Anderson, widow of Past Commander in Chief A. T. Anderson, passed away after a brief illness at her home in Washington, Pa. The sympathy of the Grand Army of the Republic is extended to the surviving son, Dr. Walter Anderson, of Detroit, Mich.

GENERAL ORDERS } NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
 No. 3 } 43 Adams Street, Jamestown, N. Y., April 10, 1948.  
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In accordance with the rules and regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, since May 30 falls on Sunday the preceding day will be observed as Memorial Day, except in States which have by legislative enactment made the following day a holiday, and in such States Monday, May 31, shall be observed as Memorial Day. It is hoped that no grave of a veteran will be without flag and flowers.

This year we will observe the eightieth anniversary of the first celebration of Memorial Day in 1868, for on May 5, 1868, Gen. John A. Logan issued his General Order No. 11 designating May 30 as Memorial Day.

The approach of Memorial Day finds our country in a very troubled condition. Let our observance of the day be such as to evidence our unswerving faith and devotion to our country, and may our prayers be for an everlasting peace for all the world.

The Sunday before Memorial Day has been observed for many years as Memorial Sunday. This year Sunday, May 23, will be observed.

The national encampment has directed that General Logan's Memorial Day order and President Lincoln's Gettysburg Address shall be read at all public services on Memorial Day.

#### GENERAL LOGAN'S MEMORIAL DAY ORDER

GENERAL ORDER } HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
 No. 11 } Washington, D. C., May 5, 1868.

I. The 30th day of May 1868 is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village, and hamlet churchyard in the land. In this observance no form or ceremony is prescribed, but posts and comrades will in their own way arrange such fitting services and testimonials of respect as circumstances may permit.

We are organized, comrades, as our regulations tell us, for the purpose among other things, "of preserving and strengthening those kind and fraternal feelings which have bound together the soldiers, sailors, and marines who united to suppress the late rebellion." What can aid more to assure this result than by cherishing tenderly the memory of our heroic dead, who made their breasts a barricade between our country and its foes? Their soldier lives were the reveille of freedom to a race in chains, and their death a tattoo of rebellious tyranny in arms. We should guard their graves with sacred vigilance. All that the consecrated wealth and tasks of the Nation can add to their adornment and security is but a fitting tribute to the memory of their slain defenders. Let no wanton foot tread rudely on such hallowed grounds. Let pleasant paths invite the coming and going of reverent visitors and fond mourners. Let no vandalism of avarice or neglect, no ravages of time, testify to the present or to the coming generations that we have forgotten, as a people, the cost of a free and undivided Republic.

If other eyes grow dull and other hands slack, and other hearts cold in the solemn trust, ours shall keep it well as long as the light and warmth of life remain in us.

Let us, then, at the time appointed, gather round their sacred remains and garland the passionless mounds above them with choicest flowers of springtime; let us raise above them the dear old flag they saved from dishonor; let us in this solemn presence renew our pledges to aid and assist those whom they have left among us as sacred charges upon the Nation's gratitude—the soldier's and sailor's widow and orphan.

II. It is the purpose of the commander in chief to inaugurate this observance with the hope that it will be kept up from year to year, while a survivor of the war remains to honor the memory of his departed comrades. He earnestly desires the public press to call attention to this order, and lend its friendly aid in bringing it to the notice of comrades in all parts of the country in time for simultaneous compliance therewith.

III. Department commanders will use every effort to make this order effective.

By command of

N. P. CHIPMAN.  
*Adjutant General.*

JOHN A. LOGAN,  
*Commander in Chief*

## LINCOLN'S GETTYSBURG ADDRESS

Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth upon this continent a new nation, conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal. Now we are engaged in a great civil war testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met in a great battlefield of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this. But, in a larger sense, we cannot dedicate, we cannot consecrate, we cannot hallow this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here have consecrated it far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us, the living, rather to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us, that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion; that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain; that this Nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people, by the people, and for the people shall not perish from the earth.

This year Mother's Day falls on May 9. Remember the mothers of all the boys who have given their all for their country on this day.

Flag Day will be observed on June 14 as usual. It is hoped that all departments meeting in their encampments at that time will see that the day is properly observed.

The eighty-second national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic and its auxiliary and allied organizations will convene in Grand Rapids, Mich., the week of September 26, with headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic, the National Woman's Relief Corps, and the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War in the Pantlind Hotel. The Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic will have their headquarters in the Morton House and the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and their auxiliary will meet in the Rowe Hotel. Grand Rapids has always given us a royal welcome and are preparing to make this one of the finest encampments ever held. Further information will be given in the next general orders.

Attention is once more called to the proper arrangement of the allied organizations in your parades and your encampment programs i. e., Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and Auxiliary to Sons of Veterans of the Civil War. These are the only organizations recognized by the Grand Army of the Republic. Departments cannot recognize others than those mentioned. Members of the allied orders cannot organize in committee and use the name "Grand Army of the Republic" or the letters "G A R" in connection with their committee or association. When the last man has passed to the great beyond the organization will be closed; there can be no successors.

The commander in chief wishes to express his appreciation of the many notes of sympathy received in the recent death of his oldest son, Harry Rownd, of Youngstown, Ohio.

Before another general order is issued many of our departments will have held their encampments and the commander in chief takes this opportunity to extend his best wishes to all and the hope that your encampments and the conventions of the allied orders may be successful and constructive.

By command of

ROBERT M. ROWND,  
*Commander in Chief.*

JOHN C. ADAMS,  
*Adjutant and Quartermaster General.*

## IN MEMORIAM

## ILLINOIS

Comrade Hiram Shumate, department commander, and member of the national executive committee, passed away on January 1, at the age of 98. He enlisted

May 20, 1864, at the age of 15, in Company C, Thirteenth United States Infantry, one of five brothers who served with the Union Army. In the passing of Comrade Shumate the organization has lost one of its valuable members.

#### KANSAS

Comrade Alonzo McMurphy, department commander, died in office, January 17, at the age of 101. He enlisted in the Union Army at the age of 15 in Lake County, Indiana, and served for 3 years in the Seventh Indiana Cavalry. Comrade McMurphy had a very interesting life, having moved to Kansas when the State was being settled by the pioneers who made that State what it is today. He had been a master mason for nearly 50 years. The passing of Commander McMurphy leaves but one comrade in the State of Kansas.

#### MINNESOTA

Comrade Orrin S. Pierce passed away on February 23, at the age of 100. He enlisted in Company F., One Hundred and Forty-sixth Illinois Volunteer Infantry. Comrade Pierce was a past department commander of the State of Minnesota.

Comrade Nathan Colburn passed away March 16, at the age of 101. He enlisted at Fort Snelling in September 1862, when he was but 16 years of age, and was assigned to the Minnesota Mounted Rangers, afterward reenlisting and serving until the end of the war. At the end of the war he returned to Champlin and built the house in which he lived until his death.

#### OKLAHOMA

Comrade Moses Ratledge, department commander, died in office, February 15, at his home in Enid, Okla., at the age of 102. He enlisted in Company K, Second Regiment Minnesota Cavalry in 1863, serving until the end of the war. He became department commander on the passing of Commander Sylvester Patterson and had looked forward to attending the department encampment in June.

"He giveth His beloved sleep."

GENERAL ORDERS      }  
No. 4                  }  
SERIES OF 1947-48    } NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
                                43 Adams Street, Jamestown, N. Y., August 18, 1948.

The Eighty-second National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Grand Rapids, Mich., September 26 to 30, 1948. National headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic, Woman's Relief Corps, and Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War will be located in the Pantlind Hotel.

Complete program of meetings and entertainment will be furnished on arrival in Grand Rapids.

Hon. Perry Green, of Grand Rapids, will act as chairman of the encampment committee.

National headquarters will be temporarily established at the Pantlind Hotel on September 23, 1948, for the week of the encampment.

An invitation has been accepted to attend services Sunday morning, September 26, at the First Congregational Church.

The memorial service of the Grand Army of the Republic will be conducted Sunday afternoon, September 26, at 2:30, in the black and silver room of the Civic Auditorium.

The credential committee will meet Monday morning at 10 a. m. in parlor B, mezzanine floor, Pantlind, Hotel.

The following comrades are appointed on the credential committee:

John C. Adams, adjutant and quartermaster general, Indiana.

Charles Chappel, California and Nevada.

James P. Martin, department commander, Iowa.

The national council of administration will meet Monday afternoon at 1:30 in national headquarters.

The following-named comrades are appointed as members of the executive committee.

John H. Grate in place of Hiram Shumate, deceased.

William H. Osborn in place of Orlando LeValley, deceased.

Charles Chappel, California, continued.

The semiofficial meeting of the Grand Army of the Republic will take place on Tuesday evening, September 28 at 8, in the black and silver room of the Civic Auditorium.

The parade of the Grand Army of the Republic will take place Wednesday, September 29, at 6 p. m. The line of march will be announced later.

By action of the national encampment women, children, and civilians (except in drum and band corps) are prohibited from participating in the parade of the Grand Army of the Republic. Also by order of the national encampment floats of any sorts, caricatures of Lincoln, Uncle Sam, or other characters, will be excluded from the parade.

The first business session of the encampment will convene Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock for the purpose of receiving greetings committees.

Wednesday evening at 8 the annual campfire of the Grand Army of the Republic will be conducted, following the parade, at the black and silver room of the Civic Auditorium.

The national headquarters of the Auxiliary and allied organizations will be located as follows:

Woman's Relief Corps, Pantlind Hotel.

Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Morton House.

Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Pantlind Hotel.

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Rowe Hotel.

Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Rowe Hotel.

The following comrades are appointed as a committee to prepare resolution on the death of Junior Vice Commander in Chief John R. Bennett:

John H. Grate, chaplain in chief, Ohio.

John C. Adams, adjutant and quartermaster general, Indiana.

William H. Osborn, national patriotic instructor, Missouri.

All mail for national headquarters and the commander in chief should be sent to the Pantlind Hotel, Grand Rapids, Mich., after September 20.

To the heads of our auxiliary and our allied organizations may I express my thanks, and those of my comrades, for the efforts you have made to make this a successful year. As you come to the end of your year officially, may your dreams be realized, and may the future of your organizations be benefited by your having served this year.

In this, my last general order, may I express my appreciation for the loyalty of my comrades and also the members of our official family. Ill health has made it impossible for me to do the things I would have liked to do this year, but your many messages have helped to pass away the hours that I have been confined to my home. May you enjoy life to the fullest and may God's richest blessings be yours.

By command of—

ROBERT M. ROWND, *Commander in Chief.*

JOHN C. ADAMS,

*Adjutant and Quartermaster General.*

#### IN MEMORIAM

John R. Bennett, junior vice commander in chief, died in office July 31 at his home in Waynesfield, Ohio, after a short illness. Comrade Bennett celebrated his one hundred and third birthday earlier in the year and attended the Ohio department encampment in June of this year, although in poor health at that time. He served as department commander of Ohio in 1943-45 and was a member of Post No. 329. He served during the Civil War in Company A, One Hundred and Eightieth Ohio Infantry. He was elected junior vice commander in chief at the eighty-first national encampment in Cleveland, Ohio, August 14, 1947. The sympathy of the organization is extended to his daughter, Mrs. Ada Skinner.

## CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA

John W. Smith, past department commander, passed away in June 1948, at his home in Santa Cruz, Calif. He served during the Civil War in Company D, One Hundred and Eighty-seventh Ohio Infantry, and was a member of Post No. 32.

## ILLINOIS

James Crugom, passed away May 28, at the Hines Veterans Hospital, where he had been a patient since October of 1947. He was born in Paris, France, and moved to Milwaukee, Wis., when a small boy. He served in the First Wisconsin Infantry, Company D, from September 23, 1861, to March 27, 1863. At the time of his death he was acting as chaplain in the Department of Illinois. Military services were conducted by the American Legion of Rogers Park.

## INDIANA

Comrade Frank J. Barton, senior vice department commander, died in office April 6, 1948, at the age of 102. Born in Cass County, Mich., he enlisted at 18, serving from 1863 to 1865 in the Cavalry in Tennessee and other Southern States. He was also a member of the Masonic fraternity for more than 50 years.

## IOWA

Comrade Ebeneezer McMurray, senior vice department commander, died in office June 20, 1948, aged 104. He was born in Jamaica, West Indies, and enlisted as a private in Company A, One Hundred Eighty-fifth Ohio Infantry and was discharged as a corporal September 26, 1865. Services were conducted in the Sharon Moravian Church, of which he was a member for 84 years. He is survived by a daughter and son.

## MICHIGAN

Comrade Orlando LeValley, department commander and last Civil War veteran in Michigan, passed away on April 19, 1948, aged 99 years. He served in Company E. Twenty-third Michigan Infantry, and was discharged October 14, 1865. He was a member of Post No. 143 in Caro and served in all offices, being elected department commander in 1945 and serving until his death. He was elected junior vice commander in chief in 1946 at the eightieth national encampment in Indianapolis, and was a member of the national council of administration at the time of his death.

## MINNESOTA

Comrade Anson Baker, passed away June 26, 1948, at the Minnesota Veterans Home at the age of 98. He enlisted at the age of 14 in the One Hundred and Thirty-second Illinois Infantry. He moved to Minnesota in 1884 and remained there until his death.

## OKLAHOMA

Comrade Albert Ray passed away March 20, 1948, and services were conducted at the First Baptist Church of Hinton. Military rites were conducted by the American Legion Post No. 230 of Hinton. At the age of 25 he enlisted in Company G, Forty-fourth Regiment, Negro Infantry, and served for 3 years. At the time of his death he was 110 years of age.

## WASHINGTON AND ALASKA

Comrade Jacob Cheadle passed away on March 30, at the age of 100, at his home in Olympia, Wash. Born in Newport, Ohio, he enlisted at the age of 16 in the Thirty-ninth Missouri Volunteer Infantry and moved to Olympia in 1900, living in the same home until his death. He was a member of the Central Baptist Church of Olympia and a member of Post No. 5 of Olympia.

"Hail! and farewell!  
Until the day breaks  
And the shadows flee away."



## COMPLETE ROSTER OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

FOUNDED BY DR. BENJAMIN F. STEPHENSON, AT DECATUR, ILL.,  
APRIL 6, 1866

BENJAMIN F. STEPHENSON, Illinois  
*First commander in chief*

ROBERT MANN WOOD, Illinois  
*First adjutant general*

JOHN M. SNYDER, Illinois  
*First quartermaster general*

No official records of membership prior to 1878.

FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,  
NOVEMBER 20, 1866

Headquarters established Springfield, Ill.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Commander in chief-----	STEPHEN A. HURLBUT, Illinois.
Senior vice commander in chief-----	JAMES B. McKEAN, New York.
Junior vice commander in chief-----	ROBERT S. FOSTER, Indiana.
Surgeon general-----	D. C. MCNEIL, Iowa.
Chaplain in chief-----	Rev. WILLIAM A. PILE, Missouri.
Adjutant general <sup>1</sup> -----	BENJAMIN F. STEPHENSON, Illinois.
Quartermaster general-----	AUGUST WILLICH, Ohio.

SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PHILADELPHIA, PA.,  
JANUARY 15, 1868

Headquarters established Washington, D. C.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

Commander in chief-----	JOHN A. LOGAN, Illinois.
Senior vice commander in chief-----	JOSHUA T. OWEN, Pennsylvania.
Junior vice commander in chief-----	JOSEPH R. HAWLEY, Connecticut.
Surgeon general-----	JOHN BELL, Iowa.
Chaplain in chief-----	Rev. ALONZO H. QUINT, Massachusetts.
Adjutant general <sup>1</sup> -----	NORMAN P. CHIPMAN, Washington, D. C.
Quartermaster general-----	T. C. CAMPBELL, Ohio.
Inspector general <sup>1</sup> -----	EDWARD JARDINE, New Jersey.

<sup>1</sup> By amendment to rules and regulations staff officers are now appointed.

THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CINCINNATI, OHIO, MAY 12, 13, 1869

Headquarters established Washington, D. C.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

Commander in chief-----	JOHN A. LOGAN, Illinois.
Senior vice commander in chief-----	LUCIUS FAIRCHILD, Wisconsin.
Junior vice commander in chief-----	JOSEPH R. HAWLEY, Connecticut.
Surgeon general-----	S. B. WYLIE MITCHELL, Pennsylvania.
Chaplain in chief-----	Rev. ALONZO H. QUINT, Massachusetts.
Adjutant general <sup>1</sup> -----	WILLIAM T. COLLINS, Minnesota.
Quartermaster general <sup>1</sup> -----	TIMOTHY LUBEY, Washington, D. C.
Inspector general <sup>1</sup> -----	FRED A. STARRING, Washington, D. C.
Judge advocate general-----	NORTON P. CHIPMAN, Washington, D. C.

<sup>1</sup> By amendment to rules and regulations staff officers are now appointed.

## FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C., MAY 11, 12, 1870

Headquarters established in Washington, D. C.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i>	JOHN A. LOGAN, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i>	LUCIUS FAIRCHILD, Wisconsin.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i>	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	DR. SAMUEL A. GREEN, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	REV. GEORGE W. COLLIER, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i>	WILLIAM T. COLLINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i>	TIMOTHY LUBEY, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i>	FRED A. STARRING, Washington, D. C.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	NORTON P. CHIPMAN, Washington, D. C.

## FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS., MAY 10, 11, 1871

Headquarters established New York City.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i>	AMBROSE E. BURNSIDE, Rhode Island.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i>	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i>	JAMES COEY, California.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	REV. WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i>	WILLIAM CUTTING, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i>	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i>	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

## SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CLEVELAND, OHIO, MAY 8, 9, 1872

Headquarters established New York City.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i>	AMBROSE E. BURNSIDE, Rhode Island.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i>	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i>	J. WARREN KEIFER, Ohio.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	DR. SAMUEL A. GREEN, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	REV. WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i>	ROSWELL MILLER, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i>	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i>	MILAN B. GOODRICH, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, NEW HAVEN, CONN.,  
MAY 14, 15, 1873

Headquarters established Boston, Mass.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i>	CHARLES DEVENS, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i>	JOHN R. GOEBLE, New Jersey.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i>	EDWARD FERGUSON, Wisconsin.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	HANS POWELL, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	REV. AUG. WOODBURY, Rhode Island.
<i>Adjutant general</i>	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i>	A. B. R. SPRAGUE, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i>	A. WILSON NORRIS, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

## EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, HARRISBURG, PA., MAY 13, 1874

Headquarters established Boston, Mass.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i>	CHARLES DEVENS, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i>	EDWARD JARDINE, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i>	GUY T. GOULD, Illinois.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	HANS POWELL, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	Rev. AUG. WOODBURY, Rhode Island.
<i>Adjutant general</i>	HENRY R. SIBLEY, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i>	A. B. R. SPRAGUE, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i>	W. W. BROWN, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

## NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CHICAGO, ILL., MAY 12, 13, 1875

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i>	JOHN F. HARTRANFT, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i>	J. S. REYNOLDS, Illinois.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i>	CHARLES J. BUCKBEE, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	JOHN W. FOYE, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	Rev. MYRON W. REED, Wisconsin.
<i>Adjutant general</i>	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i>	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i>	W. F. ROGERS, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

## TENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PHILADELPHIA, PA., JUNE 30, 1876

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i>	JOHN F. HARTRANFT, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i>	J. S. REYNOLDS, Illinois.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i>	CHARLES J. BUCKBEE, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	JAMES L. WATSON, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	Rev. JOS. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i>	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i>	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspectors general</i>	W. F. ROGERS, <sup>2</sup> New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	MATTHEW HALL, Pennsylvania.

<sup>2</sup> Resigned on being elected department commander of New York.

ELEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PROVIDENCE, R. I.,  
JUNE 26, 27, 1877

Headquarters established New York City.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i>	JOHN C. ROBINSON, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i>	ELISHA H. RHODES, Rhode Island.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i>	WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	JAMES L. WATSON, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	Rev. JOS. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i>	JAMES L. FARLEY, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i>	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i>	MATTHEW HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	WILLIAM COGSWELL, Massachusetts.

**TWELFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SPRINGFIELD, MASS.,  
JUNE 4, 1878**

Headquarters established New York City. Membership, 31,016.  
The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN C. ROBINSON, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	PAUL VANDERVOORT, Nebraska.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HERBERT E. HILL, Massachusetts.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JAMES L. WATSON, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOS. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JAMES L. FARLEY, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	MATTHEW HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM COGSWELL, Massachusetts.

**THIRTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ALBANY, N. Y., JUNE 17, 18, 1879**

Headquarters established National Military Home, Ohio. Membership, 44,752.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN PALMER, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HARRISON DINGMAN, Washington, D. C.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM B. JONES, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOS. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ISAAC B. STEVENS, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES W. RAPHUN, Maryland.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. BALDWIN, Ohio.

**FOURTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DAYTON, OHIO, JUNE 8, 9, 1880**

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 60,634.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	EDGAR D. SWAIN, Illinois.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE BOWERS, New Hampshire.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. C. HAMLIN, Maine.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOS. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JAMES R. CARNAHAN, Indiana.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	GEORGE B. SQUIRES, New York.

**FIFTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,  
JUNE 15, 16, 1881**

Headquarters established Boston, Mass. Membership, 85,856.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE S. MERRILL, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES L. YOUNG, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	C. V. R. POND, Michigan.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	CHARLES STYER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOS. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. OLIN, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JAMES R. CARNAHAN, Indiana.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	GEORGE B. SQUIRES, New York.

**SIXTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BALTIMORE, MD.,  
JUNE 21-23, 1882**

Headquarters established Omaha, Nebr. Membership, 134,701.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	PAUL VANDERVOORT, Nebraska.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	W. F. W. ROSS, Maryland
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	I. S. BANGS, Maine.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	AZEL AMES, Jr., Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	REV. I. M. FOSTER, New York.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	F. E. BROWN, Nebraska.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN W. BURST, Illinois.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES R. CARNAHAN, Indiana.

**SEVENTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DENVER, COLO.,  
JUNE 25, 26, 1883**

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 225,446.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM WARNER, Missouri.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WALTER H. HOLMES, California.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	AZEL AMES, Jr., Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	REV. I. M. FOSTER, New York.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN M. VANDERSLICE, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES A. SANTMYER, Ohio.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM VANDEVER, Iowa.

**EIGHTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.,  
JUNE 23-25, 1884**

Headquarters established Toledo, Ohio. Membership, 273,168.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN S. KOUNTZ, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN P. REA, Minnesota.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	IRA E. HICKS, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM D. HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	REV. T. M. SHANAFELT, Michigan.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	W. W. ALCORN, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	OSCAR A. JANES, Michigan.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	D. R. AUSTIN, Ohio.

**NINETEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PORTLAND, MAINE,  
JUNE 24, 25, 1885**

Headquarters established Washington, D. C. Membership, 294,787.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL S. BURDETT, Washington, D. C.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	SELDON CONNOR, Maine.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN R. LEWIS, Georgia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	J. C. TUCKER, California.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	REV. LEMUEL H. STEWART, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN CAMERON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ARGUS D. VANOSDOL, Indiana.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	CHARLES H. GROSVENOR, Ohio.

**TWENTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.,  
AUGUST 4-6, 1886**

Headquarters established Madison, Wis. Membership, 323,571.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LUCIUS FAIRCHILD, Wisconsin.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL W. BACKUS, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	EDGAR ALLEN, Virginia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	AMBROSE S. EVERETT, Colorado.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. T. C. WARNER, Tennessee.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	E. B. GRAY, Wisconsin.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JACOB M. HUNTER, Ohio.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	HENRY E. TAINTOR, Connecticut.

**TWENTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ST. LOUIS, MO.  
SEPTEMBER 28-30, 1887**

Headquarters established Minneapolis, Minn. Membership, 355,916.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN P. REA, Minnesota.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	NELSON COLE, Missouri.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN C. LINEHAN, New Hampshire.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	FLORENCE DONAHOE, Washington, D. C.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. EDW. ANDERSON, Connecticut.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	IRA M. HEDGES, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WHEELOCK G. VEAZEY, Vermont.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	DANIEL FISH, Minnesota.

**TWENTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, COLUMBUS, OHIO,  
SEPTEMBER 12-14, 1888**

Headquarters established Kansas City, Mo. Membership, 372,960.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM WARNER, Missouri.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	MOSES H. NEIL, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOSEPH HADFIELD, New York.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	R. M. DE WITT, Iowa.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. STEPHEN G. UPDYKE, Dakota.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	EUGENE F. WEIGEL, Missouri.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	GEORGE S. EVANS, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JOHN B. JOHNSON, Kansas.

**TWENTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MILWAUKEE, WIS.,  
AUGUST 28-30, 1889**

Headquarters established Detroit, Mich. Membership, 397,974.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	RUSSELL A. ALGER, Michigan.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	A. G. WEISSERT, Wisconsin.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN F. LOVETT, New Jersey.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	HORACE P. PORTER, Kansas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. W. H. CHILDERS, Kentucky.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	GEORGE H. HOPKINS, Michigan.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	LEWIS E. GRIFFITH, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	D. R. AUSTIN, Ohio.

**TWENTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS.,  
AUGUST 13, 14, 1890**

Headquarters established Rutland, Vt. Membership, 408,489.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WHEELOCK G. VEAZY, Vermont.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	RICHARD F. TOBIN, <sup>3</sup> Massachusetts. GEORGE H. INNIS, Massachusetts.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE B. CREAMER, Maryland.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	BENJAMIN F. STEVENSON, Kentucky.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. MYRON W. REED, Colorado.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOSEPH H. GOULDING, Vermont.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN W. BURST, Illinois.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM LOCHREN, Minnesota.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.

**TWENTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DETROIT, MICH.,  
AUGUST 5-7, 1891**

Headquarters established Albany, N. Y. Membership, 407,781.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN PALMER, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY M. DUFFIELD, Michigan.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	THAD. S. CLARKSON, Nebraska.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	BENJAMIN V. STEVENSON, Kentucky.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. S. B. PAINE, Florida.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	FRED PHISTERER, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN F. PRATT, New Jersey.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JOSEPH H. GOULDING, Vermont.

**TWENTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C.,  
SEPTEMBER 21, 22, 1892**

Headquarters established Milwaukee, Wis. Membership, 399,880.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	A. G. WEISSERT, Wisconsin.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	R. H. WARFIELD, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	PETER B. AYARS, Delaware.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	W. C. WILE, Connecticut.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. D. R. LOWELL, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	E. B. GRAY, Wisconsin.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	GEORGE L. GOODALE, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES TANNER, New York.

**TWENTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,  
SEPTEMBER 6, 7, 1893**

Headquarters established Lynn, Mass. Membership, 397,223.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN G. B. ADAMS, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	IVAN N. WALKER, Indiana.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. G. BIGGER, Texas.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	GEORGE R. GRAHAM, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. A. V. KENDRICK, Iowa.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JAMES F. MEECH, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ANDREW M. UNDERHILL, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	LEO RASSIEUR, Missouri.

**TWENTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PITTSBURGH, PA.,  
SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 1894**

Headquarters established Rockford, Ill. Membership, 369,083.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	THOMAS G. LAWLER, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	A. P. BURCHFIELD, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES H. SHUTE, Louisiana.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	O. W. WEEKS, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. T. H. HAGGERTY, Missouri.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	C. C. JONES, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN W. BURST, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	C. V. R. POND, Michigan.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	MATT H. ELLIS, New York.

**TWENTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, LOUISVILLE, KY.,  
SEPTEMBER 11-13, 1895**

Headquarters established Indianapolis, Ind. Membership, 357,639.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	IVAN N. WALKER, Indiana.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. H. HOBSON, Kentucky.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	S. G. COSGROVE, Washington.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	J. B. WHITING, Wisconsin.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. THOMAS C. ILIFF, Utah.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	IRVIN ROBBINS, Indiana.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. J. BURBANK, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. OLIN, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALFRED DARTE, Pennsylvania.

**THIRTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ST. PAUL, MINN.,  
SEPTEMBER 3, 4, 1896**

Headquarters established Omaha, Nebr. Membership, 340,610.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	THAD S. CLARKSON, Nebraska.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN H. MULLEN, Minnesota.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES W. BUCKLEY, Alabama.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. E. JOHNSON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. MARK B. TAYLOR, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CHARLES E. BURMESTER, Nebraska.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. J. BURBANK, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES A. SUYDAM, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALBERT CLARK, Massachusetts.

**THIRTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BUFFALO, N. Y.,  
AUGUST 25-27, 1897**

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 319,456.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN P. S. GOBIN, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ALFRED LYTH, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	FRANCIS B. ALLEN, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	DAVID MCKAY, Texas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. FRANK C. BRUNER, Illinois.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ALONZO WILLIAMS, Rhode Island.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.

**THIRTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CINCINNATI, OHIO,  
SEPTEMBER 5, 6, 1898**

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 305,603.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commanders in chief</i> -----	JAMES A. SEXTON, <sup>3</sup> Illinois. W. C. JOHNSON, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ W. C. JOHNSON, Ohio. DANIEL ROSS, Delaware.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	DANIEL ROSS, Delaware.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. S. PIERCE, Nebraska.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. DANIEL LUCAS, Indiana.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	FRED W. SPINK, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ALONZO WILLIAMS, Rhode Island.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.

**THIRTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PHILADELPHIA, PA.,  
SEPTEMBER 6, 7, 1899**

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 287,918.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ALBERT D. SHAW, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	IRVIN ROBBINS, Indiana.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	MICHAEL MINTON, Kentucky.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. BAKER, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JACOB L. GRIMM, Maryland.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	EDWARD J. ATKINSON, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	NATHAN P. POND, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.

**THIRTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CHICAGO, ILL.,  
AUGUST 29, 30, 1900**

Headquarters established St. Louis, Mo. Membership, 276,612.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LEO RASSIEUR, Missouri.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. C. MILLIKEN, Maine.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	FRANK SEAMAN, Tennessee.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN A. WILKINS, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. AUG. DRAHMS, California.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	FRANK M. STERRETT, Missouri.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	HENRY S. PECK, Connecticut.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES H. WOLFF, Massachusetts.

**THIRTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CLEVELAND, OHIO,  
SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 1901**

Headquarters established Minneapolis, Minn. Membership, 269,507.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN McELROY, Washington, D. C.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES O'DONNELL, Illinois.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM R. THRALL, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. THOMAS N. BOYLE, Pennsylvania.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	SILAS H. TOWLER, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	W. A. WETHERBEE, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	HENRY M. DUFFIELD, Michigan.

**THIRTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C.,  
OCTOBER 9, 10, 1902**

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 263,745.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i>	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i>	WILLIAM M. OLIN, Massachusetts.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i>	JAMES P. AVERILL, Georgia.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	A. W. ACHESON, Texas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	Rev. D. B. SHUEY, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i>	JOHN W. SCHALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i>	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i>	F. A. WALSH, Wisconsin.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.

**THIRTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SAN FRANCISCO,  
CALIF., AUGUST 20, 21, 1903**

Headquarters established in Chicago, Ill. Membership, 256,510.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i>	JOHN C. BLACK, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i>	C. MASON KINNE, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i>	HARRY C. KESSLER, Montana.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	GEORGE A. HARMAN, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	Rev. WINFIELD SCOTT, Arizona.
<i>Adjutant general</i>	CHARLES A. PARTRIDGE, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i>	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i>	ERWIN B. MESSEY, Iowa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	JAMES TANNER, New York.

**THIRTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS.,  
AUGUST 17, 18, 1904**

Headquarters established Boston, Mass. Membership, 247,340.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commanders in chief</i>	{ WILMON W. BLACKMAR, <sup>3</sup> Massachusetts. JOHN R. KING, Maryland.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i>	{ JOHN R. KING, Maryland. GEORGE W. PATTER, Tennessee.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i>	{ GEORGE W. PATTER, Tennessee. E. B. STILLINGS, Massachusetts.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	WARREN R. KING, Indiana.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	Rev. J. H. BRADFORD, Washington, D. C.
<i>Adjutant general</i>	JOHN E. GILMAN, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i>	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i>	LEE S. ESTELLE, Nebraska.
<i>Judge advocates general</i>	{ AMOS M. THAYER, <sup>3</sup> Missouri. OSCAR L. MOORE, Kansas.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.

**THIRTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DENVER, COLO.,  
SEPTEMBER 7, 8, 1905**

Headquarters established Washington, D. C. Membership, 232,455.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i>	JAMES TANNER, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i>	GEORGE W. COOK, Colorado.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i>	SILAS H. TOWLER, Minnesota.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	HUGO PHILLER, Wisconsin.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	Rev. J. F. LEARY, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i>	JOHN TWEEDALE, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i>	FRANK BATTLES, New Hampshire.
<i>Inspector general</i>	M. J. CUMMINGS, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	CHARLES A. CLARK, Iowa.

**FORTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.,  
AUGUST 16, 17, 1906**

Headquarters established Zanesville, Ohio. Membership, 235,823.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT B. BROWN, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM H. ARMSTRONG, Indiana.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. B. FENTON, Michigan.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	W. H. JOHNSON, Nebraska.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rt. Rev. JOHN IRELAND, Minnesota.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOSEPH W. O'NEALL, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	THOMAS W. EVANS, Missouri.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	FRANK L. CAMPBELL, Washington, D. C.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WARREN LEE GOSS, New Jersey.

**FORTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y.,  
SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 1907**

Headquarters established Kansas City, Mo. Membership, 229,932.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES G. BURTON, Missouri.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LEWIS E. GRIFFITH, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	W. M. SCOTT, Georgia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	G. LANE TANEYHILL, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rt. Rev. SAMUEL FALLOWS, Illinois.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JEREMIAH T. DEW, Missouri.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	L. W. COLLINS, Minnesota.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WARREN LEE GOSS, New Jersey.

**FORTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, TOLEDO, OHIO,  
SEPTEMBER 3, 4, 1908**

Headquarters established Jersey City, N. J. Membership, 225,157.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY M. NEVIUS, New Jersey.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. KENT HAMILTON, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES C. ROYCE, California.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	G. LANE TANEYHILL, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOHN F. SPENCE, Tennessee.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	FRANK O. COLE, New Jersey.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. HORNADAY, Oklahoma.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	Rt. Rev. SAMUEL FALLOWS, Illinois.

**FORTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH,  
AUGUST 12, 13, 1909**

Headquarters established Minneapolis, Minn. Membership, 220,600.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL R. VAN SANT, Minnesota.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM M. BOSTAPH, Utah.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. LEMON, Kansas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. DANIEL RYAN, Indiana.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	GEORGE O. EDDY, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM F. CONNER, Texas.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	RUSSELL R. PEALER, Michigan.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	JOHN B. LEWIS, Massachusetts.

**FORTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.,**  
**SEPTEMBER 22, 23, 1910**

Headquarters established Boston, Mass. Membership, 213,901.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i>	JOHN E. GILMAN, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i>	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i>	WILLIAM JAMES, Florida.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	JOHN L. SMITH, M. D., Washington.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	Rev. THOMAS HARWOOD, New Mexico.
<i>Adjutant general</i>	EPHRAIM B. STILLINGS, Massachusetts
<i>Quartermaster general</i>	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i>	HENRY Z. OSBORNE, California.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i>	J. S. HOAGLAND, Nebraska.

**FORTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ROCHESTER, N. Y.,**  
**AUGUST 24, 25, 1911**

Headquarters established Chicago, Ill. Membership, 203,410.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i>	HARVEY M. TRIMBLE, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i>	NICHOLAS W. DAY, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i>	WILLIAM A. OGDEN, Kansas.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	Dr. JOHN D. HANRAHAN, Vermont.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	Rev. J. WYNNE JONES, Maryland.
<i>Adjutant general</i>	CHARLES R. E. KOCH, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i>	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i>	JOHN H. MCCLAY, Nebraska.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indiana.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i>	JOHN B. LEWIS, Massachusetts.

**FORTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, LOS ANGELES, CALIF.,**  
**SEPTEMBER 9-14, 1912**

Headquarters established Bridgeport, Conn. Membership, 191,346.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i>	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i>	HENRY Z. OSBORNE, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i>	AMERICUS WHEDON, Kentucky.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	Dr. L. L. WHITTAKER, Texas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	Rev. GEORGE E. LOVEJOY, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i>	HENRY J. SEELEY, Connecticut.
<i>Quartermaster general</i>	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i>	J. PAYSON BRADLEY, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	BENJAMIN F. BRYANT, Wisconsin.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i>	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minnesota.

**FORTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CHATTANOOGA, TENN.,**  
**SEPTEMBER 18, 19, 1913**

Headquarters established Detroit, Mich. Membership, 180,227.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i>	WASHINGTON GARDNER, Michigan.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i>	THOMAS H. SOWARD, Oklahoma.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i>	{ WILLIAM L. ROSS, <sup>4</sup> Maine. A. S. FOWLER, Arkansas.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	J. K. WEAVER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	Rev. HORACE M. CARR, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i>	OSCAR A. JANES, Michigan.
<i>Quartermaster general</i>	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i>	LEVI S. WARREN, Michigan.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	P. H. CONEY, Kansas.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i>	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minnesota.

<sup>4</sup> Resigned.

**FORTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DETROIT, MICH.,  
SEPTEMBER 3, 4, 1914**

Headquarters established at Des Moines, Iowa. Membership, 171,335.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	DAVID J. PALMER, Iowa.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ W. F. CONNER, Texas. OSCAR A. JANES, Michigan.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ JOSEPH B. GRISWOLD, <sup>3</sup> Michigan. W. F. CONNER, Texas.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	DR. LEWIS S. PILCHER, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	REV. ORVILLE J. NAVÉ, California.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	GEORGE A. NEWMAN, Iowa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES E. BEACH, Vermont
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	HARRY WHITE, Pennsylvania.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	CYRUS A. BROOKS, Colorado.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.

**FORTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C.,  
SEPTEMBER 30 AND OCTOBER 1, 1915**

Headquarters established at Cincinnati, Ohio. Membership, 159,853.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ELIAS R. MONFORT, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE H. SLAYBAUGH, Washington, D. C.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LE VANT DODGE, Kentucky.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	DR. REUBEN A. ADAMS, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	REV. BENJAMIN F. CLARKSON, Maryland.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	DR. JOHN M. ADAMS, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	PATRICK H. CONEY, Kansas.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indiana.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	URIAH SEELY, New Jersey.

**FIFTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, KANSAS CITY, MO., AUGUST 28  
TO SEPTEMBER 2, 1916**

Headquarters established at Pittsburgh, Pa. Members, 140,074.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	W. J. PATTERSON, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM H. WORMSTEAD, Kansas City.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. K. RUSS, New Orleans, La.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. HANNA, Aurora, Ill.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	REV. O. S. REED, Manzanola, Colo.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	H. H. BENGOUGH, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES H. HASKINS, California.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	RALZEMOND A. PARKER, Michigan.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	URIAH SEELY, New Jersey.

FIFTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS.,  
AUGUST 20-25, 1917

Headquarters established at Indianapolis, Ind. Membership, 135,931.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i>	ORLANDO A. SOMERS, Kokomo, Ind.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i>	JOHN L. CLEM, Atlanta, Ga.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i>	JOHN M. VERNON, Chicago, Ill.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	JOHN M. ADAMS, Cincinnati, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	REV. C. H. FRADY, Helena, Mont.
<i>Adjutant general</i>	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Quartermaster general</i>	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i>	THOMAS H. BROWN, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	SMITH STIMMEL, Fargo, N. Dak.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i>	WILLIAM C. CALLAND, Springfield, Mo.

FIFTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PORTLAND, OREG.,  
AUGUST 18-24, 1918

Headquarters established at Lincoln, Nebr. Membership, 120,916.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i>	CLARENCE E. ADAMS, Omaha, Nebr.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i>	JOHN G. CHAMBERS, Portland, Oreg.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i>	CHAS. H. HABER, National Home, Va.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	CHESTER M. FERRIN, Burlington, Vt.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	REV. PHILIP A. NORDELL, Boston, Mass.
<i>Adjutant general</i>	ALBERT M. TRIMBLE, Lincoln, Nebr.
<i>Quartermaster general</i>	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Inspector general</i>	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	THOMAS H. BROWN, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i>	GEORGE D. KELLOGG, Newcastle, Calif.

FIFTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, COLUMBUS, OHIO,  
SEPTEMBER 7-13, 1919

Headquarters established at Brooklyn, N. Y., later removed to Columbus, Ohio.  
Membership, 110,357.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commanders in chief</i>	{ JAMES D. BELL, <sup>1</sup> Brooklyn, N. Y. DANIEL M. HALL, Columbus, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i>	{ DANIEL M. HALL, Columbus, Ohio. CHARLES B. WILSON, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i>	{ CHARLES B. WILSON, Los Angeles, Calif. ISIDORE ISAACS, New York, N. Y.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	STEPHEN I. BROWN, Knox, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	REV. W. W. GIST, Cedar Falls, Iowa.
<i>Adjutants general</i>	{ ISIDORE ISAACS, New York, N. Y. JOSEPH W. O'NEALL, Columbus, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i>	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Inspector general</i>	JAMES C. TAYLOR, Newark, N. J.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i>	HOSEA W. ROOD, Madison, Wis.

<sup>1</sup>Died in office.

FIFTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,  
SEPTEMBER 19-25, 1920

Headquarters established at Indianapolis, Ind. Membership, 103,258.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief-----</i>	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief-----</i>	GEORGE A. HOSLEY, Boston, Mass.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief-----</i>	J. E. GANDY, Spokane, Wash.
<i>Surgeon general-----</i>	C. W. BURRILL, Kansas City, Mo.
<i>Chaplain in chief-----</i>	WILLIAM A. BOSWORTH, Wichita, Kans.
<i>Adjutant general-----</i>	MAHLON D. BUTLER, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Quartermaster general-----</i>	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general-----</i>	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general-----</i>	Dr. M. W. WOOD, Boise, Idaho.
<i>National patriotic instructor-----</i>	SMITH STIMMEL, Fargo, N. Dak.

FIFTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,  
SEPTEMBER 25-29, 1921

Headquarters established at Brooklyn, N. Y. Membership, 93,171.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief-----</i>	DR. LEWIS S. PILCHER, Brooklyn, N. Y.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief-----</i>	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief-----</i>	HENRY A. JOHNSON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Surgeon general-----</i>	DR. MARSHALL W. WOOD, Boise, Idaho.
<i>Chaplain in chief-----</i>	REV. GEORGE B. SMITH, Minneapolis, Minn.
<i>Adjutant general-----</i>	WILLIAM C. PECKHAM, Brooklyn, N. Y.
<i>Quartermaster general-----</i>	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general-----</i>	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general-----</i>	RICHARD A. SABLE, San Francisco, Calif.
<i>National patriotic instructor-----</i>	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minneapolis, Minn.

FIFTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DES MOINES, IOWA,  
SEPTEMBER 24-29, 1922

Headquarters established at Des Moines, Iowa. Membership, 85,621.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief-----</i>	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief-----</i>	C. S. BRODBENT, San Antonio, Tex.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief-----</i>	RAVEN V. GARDNER, Rapid City, S. Dak.
<i>Surgeon general-----</i>	GEORGE TRYON HARDING, M. D., Marion, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief-----</i>	REV. J. H. EPPLER, Gary, Ind.
<i>Adjutant general-----</i>	JOHN P. RISLEY, Des Moines, Iowa.
<i>Quartermaster general-----</i>	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general-----</i>	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Inspector general-----</i>	DR. MARSHALL W. WOOD, Boise, Idaho
<i>National patriotic instructor-----</i>	JOHN M. WILLIAMS, California, Mo.

FIFTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MILWAUKEE, WIS.,  
SEPTEMBER 2-8, 1923

Headquarters established at Van Wert, Ohio. Membership, 76,126.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief-----</i>	GAYLORD M. SALTZGABER, Van Wert, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief-----</i>	FRANK A. WALSH, Milwaukee, Wis.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief-----</i>	GEORGE T. LEECH, Baltimore, Md.
<i>Surgeon general-----</i>	C. W. BURRILL, Kansas City, Mo.
<i>Chaplain in chief-----</i>	CHARLES L. SHERGUR, Union Springs, N. Y.
<i>Adjutant general-----</i>	ANDREW S. BURT, Van Wert, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general-----</i>	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general-----</i>	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Inspector general-----</i>	OTTO SHIMANSKY, Sandusky, Ohio.
<i>National patriotic instructor-----</i>	CHARLES O. BROWN, Oak Park, Ill.

FIFTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS.,  
AUGUST 10-15, 1924

Headquarters established at Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 65,382.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief-----</i>	LOUIS D. ARENSBERG, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief-----</i>	WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, Boston, Mass.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief-----</i>	JOHN REESE, Broken Bow, Nebr.
<i>Surgeon general-----</i>	Dr. JOSEPH E. HALL, Portland, Oreg.
<i>Chaplain in chief-----</i>	Rev. CHAS. W. BLODGETT, Cincinnati, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general-----</i>	SAMUEL P. TOWN, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Quartermaster general-----</i>	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general-----</i>	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Inspector general-----</i>	GEORGE T. LEECH, Baltimore, Md.
<i>National patriotic instructor-----</i>	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minneapolis, Minn.

FIFTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.,  
AUGUST 30 TO SEPTEMBER 5, 1925

Headquarters established at Springfield, Ill. Membership, 55,817.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief-----</i>	JOHN B. INMAN, Springfield, Ill.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief-----</i>	OSCAR A. JAMES, Detroit, Mich.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief-----</i>	WILLIAM O. ALLEN, Newark, N. J.
<i>Surgeon general-----</i>	Dr. JOHN GILBERT, Fall River, Mass.
<i>Chaplain in chief-----</i>	Rev. WILLIAM P. MCKINLEY, Lebanon, Ind.
<i>Adjutant general-----</i>	HENRY B. DAVIDSON, Springfield, Ill.
<i>Quartermaster general-----</i>	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general-----</i>	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, <sup>2</sup> Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Inspector general-----</i>	ISAAC COLE, Maplewood, N. J.
<i>National patriotic instructor-----</i>	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minneapolis, Minn.

<sup>2</sup> Died in office.

SIXTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DES MOINES, IOWA,  
SEPTEMBER 19-25, 1926

Headquarters established at Milwaukee, Wis. Membership, 47,179.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i>	FRANK A. WALSH, Milwaukee, Wis.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i>	A. G. BEATTY, Independence, Iowa.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i>	C. H. HASKINS, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	Dr. C. W. BURRILL, Kansas City, Mo.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	Rev. ROBERT H. HILL, Albany, N. Y.
<i>Adjutants general</i>	{ CHARLES H. HENRY, <sup>3</sup> Eau Claire, Wis. CHARLES KAYSER, <sup>2</sup> Milwaukee, Wis.
<i>Quartermaster general</i>	GEORGE W. MORTON, Berlin, Wis.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	C. D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Inspector general</i>	W. G. COCHRAN, Sullivan, Ill.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i>	FRANK DAGLE, Des Moines, Iowa. SMITH STIMMEL, Fargo, N. Dak. Ohio.

<sup>2</sup> Died in office.

<sup>3</sup> Resigned.

SIXTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.,  
SEPTEMBER 11-16, 1927

Headquarters established in State Capitol, Sacramento, Calif. Membership, 38,801.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i>	ELBRIDGE L. HAWK, Sacramento, Calif.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i>	CALVIN A. BRAINARD, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i>	SAMUEL E. MAHAN, St. Paul, Minn.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	Dr. HENRY A. JOHNSON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, National Military Home, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i>	WILLIAM H. NOLL, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Quartermaster general</i>	C. D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	JOHN REESE, Broken Bow, Nebr.
<i>Inspector general</i>	WALTER L. FUNK, Grand Rapids, Mich.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i>	CHARLES W. BLODGETT, Cincinnati, Ohio.

SIXTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DENVER, COLO.,  
SEPTEMBER 16-21, 1928

Headquarters were established in Broken Bow, Nebr. Membership, 32,614.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i>	JOHN REESE, Broken Bow, Nebr.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i>	JAMES E. JEWEL, Fort Morgan, Colo.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i>	HENRY J. KEARNEY, New York, N. Y.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	Dr. S. W. HOPKINS, Lodi, Calif.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, National Military Home, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutants general</i>	{ THOMAS J. SMITH, <sup>4</sup> McCook, Nebr. MELVIN K. HAGADORN, Broken Bow, Nebr.
<i>Quartermaster general</i>	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i>	W. C. CALLAND, Springfield, Mo.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i>	CHARLES W. BLODGETT, Cincinnati, Ohio.

SIXTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PORTLAND, MAINE,  
SEPTEMBER 8-13, 1929

Headquarters established in Worcester, Mass. Membership, 26,219.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i>	EDWIN J. FOSTER, Worcester, Mass.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i>	C. E. NASON, Gray, Maine.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i>	J. W. SHIELDS, Boise, Idaho.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i>	WILFRED A. WEATHERBEE, Newton, Mass.
<i>Quartermaster general</i>	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i>	WILLIAM H. NOLL, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i>	C. W. BLODGETT, Cincinnati, Ohio.

SIXTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CINCINNATI, OHIO,  
AUGUST 24-28, 1930

Headquarters established at Fort Morgan, Colo. Membership, 21,080.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i>	JAMES E. JEWELL, Fort Morgan, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i>	JACOB SECREST, Cincinnati, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i>	CHARLES H. LEWIS, Pawtucket, R. I.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	Rev. HENRY HILTON WOOD, Long Beach, Calif.
<i>Adjutants general</i>	{ DAVID N. HEIZER, <sup>4</sup> Colorado Springs, Colo. ABRAHAM L. EMIGH, Fort Morgan, Colo.
<i>Quartermaster generals</i>	{ COLA D. R. STOWITS, <sup>3</sup> Buffalo, N. Y. EDWARD HURLEY, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	SAMUEL M. HENCH, Fort Wayne, Ind.
<i>Inspector general</i>	WILLIAM H. NOLL, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i>	ROBERT W. HILL, Albany, N. Y.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.

<sup>4</sup> Resigned.

SIXTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DES MOINES, IOWA,  
SEPTEMBER 13-18, 1931

Headquarters established at Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 16,578.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i>	SAMUEL P. TOWN, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i>	OLEY NELSON, Slater, Iowa.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i>	RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	Dr. SAMUEL A. CAMPBELL, Mattoon, Ill.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	Rev. JESSE B. BARTLEY, Omaha, Nebr.
<i>Adjutant general</i>	WASHINGTON F. HAMBRIGHT, Lancaster, Pa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i>	EDWARD HURLEY, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	JOHN REESE, Broken Bow, Nebr.
<i>Inspector general</i>	IRA R. WILDMAN, Danbury, Conn.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i>	JOHN F. PICKERILL, Seattle, Wash.

**SIXTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SPRINGFIELD, ILL.,  
SEPTEMBER 18-24, 1932**

Headquarters established at Chicago, Ill. Membership, 13,066.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commanders in chief</i> -----	{ WILLIAM P. WRIGHT, <sup>3</sup> Chicago, Ill. RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif. CHARLES E. JONES, Tuscaloosa, Ala.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ CHARLES E. JONES, Tuscaloosa, Ala. ARTHUR DAWSON, Oak Park, Ill.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CALVIN A. BRAINARD, Waukegan, Ill.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	SAMUEL P. TOWN, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	EMMET F. TAGGART, Akron, Ohio.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	HENRY B. DAVIDSON, Springfield, Ill.

**SIXTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ST. PAUL, MINN.,  
SEPTEMBER 17-22, 1933**

Headquarters established at Los Angeles, Calif. Membership, 10,138

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ THOMAS H. PEACON, <sup>3</sup> Minneapolis, Minn.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ EDWIN H. LINCOLN, Pittsfield, Mass. EDWIN H. LINCOLN, Pittsfield, Mass.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN E. ANDREW, Quincy, Ill.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Dr. A. B. GARRETT, Gallipolis, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	DARWIN B. WOLCOTT, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	SAMUEL P. TOWN, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	T. M. KELLOGG, Portland, Oreg.

<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	J. S. DUMSER, Oakland, Calif.
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**SIXTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ROCHESTER, N. Y.,  
AUGUST 12-18, 1934**

Headquarters established at Syracuse, N. Y. Membership, 7,807.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ALFRED E. STACEY, Elbridge, N. Y.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HARDING I. MERRILL, Wichita, Kans.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE H. POUNDER, Fort Atkinson, Wis.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfords- ville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CALVIN A. BRAINARD, Jackson, Mich.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	SAMUEL P. TOWN, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	Mr. H. DAVIDSON, Louisville, Ky.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	{ HENRY B. DAVIDSON, <sup>3</sup> Springfield, Ill. C. PERRY LOMAX, <sup>3</sup> Lincoln, Nebr.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.

**SIXTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.,  
SEPTEMBER 8-14, 1935**

Headquarters established at Des Moines, Iowa. Membership, 6,244.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	OLEY NELSON, Slater, Iowa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	A. C. ESTABROOK, Grand Rapids, Mich.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	OVERTON H. MENNET, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. A. B. GARRETT, Gallipolis, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN P. RISLEY, Des Moines, Iowa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	SAMUEL P. TOWN, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JAMES C. THOMAS, Chicago, Ill.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WILLIAM F. DORSEY, Washington, D. C.

**SEVENTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C.,  
SEPTEMBER 20-26, 1936**

Headquarters established at Pittsburgh, Pa. Membership, 4,391.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	C. H. WILLIAM RUHE, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY F. RUSSELL, Alliance, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	THOMAS AMBROSE, Chicago, Ill.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	DR. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	{ JOHN LITTLE, <sup>3</sup> Pittsburgh, Pa. GEORGE SANDS, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	{ SAMUEL P. TOWN, <sup>3</sup> Philadelphia, Pa. SAMUEL S. FOWLER, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ROBERT M. ROWND, Ripley, N. Y.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	J. W. CARROLL, Lisbon, N. Dak.

**SEVENTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MADISON, WIS.,  
SEPTEMBER 5-10, 1937**

Headquarters established at Los Angeles, Calif. Membership, 3,325.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	OVERTON H. MENNET, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY HELD, West Allis, Wis.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT M. ROWND, Ripley, N. Y.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	DR. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. MARTIN V. STONE, Jamestown, N. Y.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	SAMUEL S. FOWLER, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	R. H. HOFFMAN, Denver, Colo.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	RUSTAN O. REED, Seattle, Wash.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.

**SEVENTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DES MOINES, IOWA,  
SEPTEMBER 4-9, 1938**

Headquarters established at Ripley, N. Y. Membership, 2,443.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i>	ROBERT M. ROWND, Ripley, N. Y.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i>	FRANK L. QUADE, Dubuque, Iowa.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i>	JOHN W. CARROLL, Lisbon, N. Dak.
<i>Surgeons general</i>	{ Dr. A. B. GARRETT, <sup>3</sup> Gallipolis, Ohio. Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	Rev. JOSHUA C. PEARCE, Denver, Colo.
<i>Adjutants general</i>	{ MARTIN V. STONE, <sup>3</sup> Jamestown, N. Y. JOSIAH C. READ, <sup>3</sup> New York, N. Y. GEORGE SANDS, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Quartermaster generals</i>	{ EDWIN H. LINCOLN, <sup>3</sup> Pittsfield, Mass. JOHN E. ANDREW, Quincy, Ill.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i>	THOMAS AMBROSE, Chicago, Ill.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i>	TRUMAN N. PARSONS, Stratford, Conn.

**SEVENTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PITTSBURGH, PA.,  
AUGUST 27 TO SEPTEMBER 1, 1939**

Headquarters established at Springfield, Ill. Membership, 1,701.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commanders in chief</i>	{ JOHN E. ANDREWS, <sup>3</sup> Quincy, Ill. A. T. ANDERSON, Washington, Pa.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i>	{ A. T. ANDERSON, Washington, Pa. W. W. NIXON, Jewell, Kans.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i>	{ W. W. NIXON, Jewell, Kans. WILLIAM H. MCCOY, Trenton, N. J.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	Rev. JOSHUA C. PEARCE, Denver, Colo.
<i>Adjutant general</i>	THOMAS AMBROSE, Chicago, Ill.
<i>Quartermaster general</i>	M. H. DAVIDSON, <sup>3</sup> Louisville, Ky.
<i>Judge advocates general</i>	{ JAMES W. WILLETT, <sup>3</sup> Tama, Iowa. T. J. NOLL, Des Moines, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i>	O. S. PIERCE, Minneapolis, Minn.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i>	Dr. JOHN H. STONE, Kokomo, Ind.

**SEVENTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SPRINGFIELD, ILL.,  
SEPTEMBER 8-13, 1940**

Headquarters established at Topeka, Kans. Membership, 1,039.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i>	W. W. NIXON, Jewell, Kans.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i>	THOMAS AMBROSE, Chicago, Ill.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i>	RUSTAN O. REED, Seattle, Wash.
<i>Surgeon general</i>	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i>	Rev. JOSHUA C. PEARCE, Denver, Colo.
<i>Adjutant general</i>	RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Quartermaster generals</i>	{ A. C. EASTABROOK, <sup>3</sup> Grand Rapids, Mich. J. A. HAMILTON, Lansing, Mich.
<i>Judge advocate general</i>	THOMAS J. NOLL, Des Moines, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i>	JOSEPH B. HENNINGER, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>National patriotic instructors</i>	{ ASA O. GERE, <sup>3</sup> Stafford, Kans. T. A. PENLAND, Portland, Oreg.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.

**SEVENTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, COLUMBUS, OHIO,  
SEPTEMBER 14-19, 1941**

Headquarters established at Springfield, Ill. Membership, 763.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE A. GAY, Nashua, N. H.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	THOMAS RIDENOUR, Crestline, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN S. DUMSER, Oakland, Calif.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOSHUA C. PEARCE, Denver, Colo.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	J. A. HAMILTON, Lansing, Mich.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS J. NOLL, Des Moines, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	LEWIS H. EASTERLY, Gunnison, Colo.
<i>National patriotic instructors</i> -----	{ GEORGE W. GREEN, <sup>3</sup> Jamaica Plain, Mass. JOHN E. BRONSON, East Dedham, Mass.

**SEVENTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,  
SEPTEMBER 13-18, 1942**

Headquarters established at Oakland, Calif. Membership, 518.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN S. DUMSER, Oakland, Calif.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ISAAC W. SHARP, Warsaw, Ind.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES H. PERRY, Minneapolis, Minn.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	THOMAS RIDENOUR, Crestline, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	ROBERT M. ROWND, Ripley, N. Y.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	EUGENE OWEN, Grand Rapids, Mich.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS J. NOLL, Des Moines, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	HIRAM H. SHUMATE, Riverton, Ill.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WILLIAM H. OSBORN, Joplin, Mo.

**SEVENTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MILWAUKEE, WIS.,  
SEPTEMBER 19-24, 1943**

Headquarters established at Augusta, Maine; later moved to Portland, Maine.  
Membership, 393.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE H. JONES, Oxford, Maine.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LANSING A. WILCOX, Cadott, Wis.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HIRAM H. SHUMATE, Riverton, Ill.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	THOMAS RIDENOUR, Crestline, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	ROBERT M. ROWND, Ripley, N. Y.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	{ EUGENE OWEN, <sup>3</sup> Grand Rapids, Mich. WILLIAM H. FERGUSON, Kent City, Mich.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM W. NIXON, <sup>3</sup> Jewell, Kans.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN M. GUDGEL, Shenandoah, Iowa.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	LOUIS E. QUINT, Minneapolis, Minn.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.

**SEVENTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DES MOINES, IOWA,  
SEPTEMBER 10-15, 1944<sup>5</sup>**

Headquarters established at Warsaw, Ind. Membership, 249.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ISAAC W. SHARP, Warsaw, Ind.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN M. GUDGEL, Shenandoah, Iowa.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HIRAM R. GALE, Seattle, Wash.
<i>Chaplains in chief</i> -----	{ MARTIN J. WARNER, <sup>3</sup> Grand Rapids, Mich. ROBERT M. ROWND, Ripley, N. Y.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Quartermaster generals</i> -----	{ WILLIAM H. FERGUSON, <sup>3</sup> Kent City, Mich. JOHN C. ADAMS, Jonesboro, Ind.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	THEODORE A. PENLAND, Portland, Oreg.

**SEVENTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, COLUMBUS, OHIO,  
SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 4, 1945**

Headquarters established in Seattle, Wash. Membership, 163.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	HIRAM R. GALE, Seattle, Wash.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN H. GRATE, Atwater, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	THEODORE A. PENLAND, Portland, Oreg.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	ROBERT M. ROWND, Ripley, N. Y.
<i>Adjutants general</i> -----	{ RUSSELL C. MARTIN, <sup>3</sup> Los Angeles, Calif. ISAAC W. SHARP, Warsaw, Ind.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN C. ADAMS, Jonesboro, Ind.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	ORLANDO LE VALLEY, Caro, Mich.
<i>Chief of staff</i> -----	JOHN S. DUMSER, Oakland, Calif.

**EIGHTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., AUGUST  
25 TO 30, 1946**

Headquarters established Jamestown, N. Y. Membership 103.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN H. GRATE, Atwater, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	THEODORE A. PENLAND, Portland, Oreg.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ORLANDO LEVALLEY, Caro, Mich.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	ROBERT M. ROWND, Ripley, N. Y.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN S. DUMSER, Oakland, Calif.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN C. ADAMS, Jonesboro, Ind.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	ALBERT WOOLSON, Duluth, Minn.
<i>Chief of staff</i> -----	HIRAM H. SHUMATE, Riverton, Ill.

**EIGHTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CLEVELAND, OHIO,  
AUGUST 10 TO 14, 1947**

Headquarters established Jamestown, N. Y. Membership 66.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT M. ROWND, Ripley, N. Y.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	THEODORE A. PENLAND, Portland, Oreg.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN R. BENNETT, Waynesfield, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	JOHN H. GRATE, Atwater, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant and quartermaster general<sup>1</sup></i> -----	JOHN C. ADAMS, Jonesboro, Ind.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WM. H. OSBORN, Joplin, Mo.
<i>Chief of staff</i> -----	JOHN S. DUMSER, Oakland, Calif.

<sup>1</sup> Offices of Adjutant General and Quartermaster General combined by vote of 81st Encampment.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.

<sup>5</sup> Offices of Surgeon General, Judge Advocate General, and Inspector General abolished.

**EIGHTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND RAPIDS,  
MICH., SEPTEMBER 28 TO 30, 1948**

Headquarters established at Portland, Oreg. Membership, 28.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	THEODORE A. PENLAND, Portland, Oreg.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN H. GRATE, Atwater, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM H. OSBORN, <sup>2</sup> Joplin, Mo.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	ROBERT M. ROWND, Ripley, N. Y.
<i>Ajutant and quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN C. ADAMS, Jonesboro, <sup>2</sup> Ind.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	CHARLES L. CHAPPEL, Long Beach, Calif.
<i>Chief of staff</i> -----	ALBERT WOOLSON, Duluth, Minn.

<sup>2</sup> Died in office.

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